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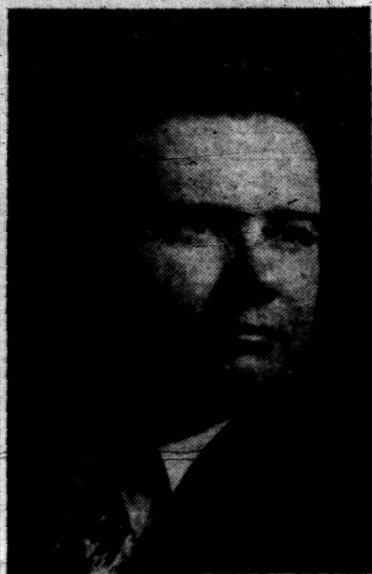
## Evangelistic Meet Set For Tupelo

The annual State Evangelistic Conference will be held at Tupelo Feb. 13-14 instead of Jackson as originally scheduled, it has been announced by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary-treasurer and acting director of evangelism.

Visiting program personalities will include Dr. Dale Moody, professor of Systematic Theology, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. Jaroy Weber, pastor First Church, West Monroe, La., who made such a hit at the Miami Pastor's Conference last May; Dr. Leonard Sanderson, new secretary of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dallas, and Dr. E. N. Patterson, professor of Homiletics, New Orleans Seminary.

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## Conference Speaker



Dr. Dale Moody

Dr. Dale Moody, professor of systematic theology, Southern Seminary, Louisville, will be one of the featured speakers at the State Evangelistic Conference when it meets Feb. 13-14 at Tupelo.

## Promotion Director Plans Orient Tour

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion for the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, plans to visit Alaska, Hawaii, and several Far Eastern mission areas in 1956 to conduct stewardship and church finance conferences.

The conferences are planned at the request of the Foreign and Home Mission Boards, and in cooperation with them. The Executive Committee will pay the expenses as its contribution to this work on Southern Baptist mission fields, Moore said. The tour will last approximately six weeks, starting shortly after the June, 1956, meeting of the Executive Committee.

Moore reported that several Baptist missionaries have asked

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## 1955 IN REVIEW

### Outstanding Religious Events During 1955

By Carl F. H. Henry  
Professor of Systematic  
Theology and Christian  
Philosophy,

Fuller Theological Seminary

American religious life in 1955 disclosed a weird, ambiguous face. Increases both in church membership and crime, the mounting tempo side by side of religionism and of secularism, the rising anti-totalitarian enthusiasm for democracy alongside a nebulous conception of spiritual priorities, and a common emphasis on religious advance by diverse evangelical, liberal, Roman Catholic, Jewish and cult groups, all contribute to this national photomontage. From the whole came news that the year had gotten underway with a record 97,482,611 church members, a gain of more than 2,600,000 over the previous year, and that 66.3 per cent of the nation had already come into church membership.

On almost every religious front, 1956 loomed as a strategic

year for the life of the nation. In some big cities, where corrupt political machines had been defeated, enthusiasm was sparked for a national "Christian party." In several quarters there was new talk of a great Christian university. Elsewhere, widening theological disunity within liberalism suggested that 1956 would supply the peak opportunity for large-scale evangelical enterprises, especially in the wake of Billy Graham's larger impact upon the western hemisphere.

Graham's 1956 schedule listed campaigns in New York City and San Francisco, and a visit to oriental Christians in India. Plans for Roman Catholic advance continued, keyed to Samuel Cardinal Stritch's statement to Venezuelans that the United States is no longer "a Protestant country." Ecumenical forces saw it as an important threshold to the World Council's 1957 North American assembly.

Behind this year-end temper stood conflicting indexes to the national outlook. President Eisenhower's emphasis on the inseparability of faith in democracy and faith in God gained popular echoes. Bargaining with atheists for the world's unity, the President had asked the nation to pray, and then knelt in church for divine guidance just before the Geneva summit.

The Gallup poll showed 96 per cent of the citizenry "believes in God," although the reasons given were various. Another poll reported that four-fifths of the citizens believe the Bible to be "the revealed word of God." A third indicated that 53 per cent could not supply the name of even one of the four gospels. While the nation gasped, a Bible-versed grandmother won a \$32,000 television award.

Beneath the surface of religious life evidences of concern began to rise. The externalism of American religion called for deeper analysis. Not only churchmen poised on the periphery of the evangelistic movement, but Evangelist Billy Graham himself warned that America had not yet been shaken by national revival, and that the status quo needs serious challenge. Graham won the nation's top Freedoms Foundation award for the year. Still well be

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## WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE LEADERS CONFER



Shown above are several of the captains of the 19 teams of Mississippi Baptist leaders who will conduct the Baptist World Missions Conferences Jan. 16-20 conferring on last minute plans for the meetings.

A World Missions conference will be held in every association on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights of that week with a team of three speakers presenting a program on "World Missions Advance."

Every Baptist is urged to attend the conference in his association, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

Leading in plans for each meeting is the local associational leadership, with the Convention Board member to preside over the meeting in most cases.

Folders and posters giving full details on dates, speakers and schedule of every meeting have been sent to every church.

From left, standing: Rev. Gene Pierce, Rev. Paul Boothe, W. C. Morgan, Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, Rev. Joe Abrams, Charles W. Horner, Dr. A. L. Goodrich, W. R. Roberts. Seated: Miss Edwina Robinson and Dr. E. C. Williams.

## BAPTISTS THANK FORD FOUNDATION FOR GIFTS

By the Baptist Press

The Southern Baptist Executive Committee has thanked the Ford Foundation for its magnificent grants to hospital and colleges throughout the Nation.

Southern Baptist colleges themselves received \$5 million of the total \$500 million grant to hospitals and colleges. The exact amount given Southern

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## Temperance Group To Sponsor Breakfast For Legislators

Something new has been added in Kentucky. The Temperance League of Kentucky is pioneering in the field of a

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## Proposed Los Angeles Hospital has Setback

LONG BEACH, Calif. — (BP) — Prospects for a Southern Baptist Convention teaching hospital in the Los Angeles metropolitan area have suffered a major setback.

Messengers to the annual session of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California here learned that the Alhambra, Calif., Chamber of Commerce had failed to provide a site for the hospital and \$250,000 as agreed.

All matters pertaining to the hospital — a project which received preliminary endorsement of the Southern Baptist Convention in its 1955 session at Miami — were referred to a board of directors for further consideration and a report next year.

The Southern Baptist Convention would have to give a second endorsement to the hospital proposal before construction.

The teaching hospital would be the third hospital operated by the Southern Baptist Convention at large, although state Baptist conventions operate about 30 hospitals at local levels. Other SBC hospitals are at New Orleans and at Jacksonville, Fla.



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low 40, he packed Madison Square Garden to its 22,000 capacity, then moved on to Glasgow, London, Paris and Germany for remarkable campaigns, before a series in Toronto, and finally the Cambridge University mission which precipitated lively newspaper debate of the evangelical view of the Bible. More than 670,000 Scotsmen attended, with 16,236 responses; in Paris, 42,000 came in five days, with 2,254 decisions; in Toronto, 362,000, with 7,348 decisions. Meanwhile Oral Roberts, heard by more than two million in healing campaigns in the United States and South Africa, projected a London visit.

Ecumenical forces began rallying behind Graham's evangelistic thrust, bringing to their circles an activity promoted previously with less enthusiasm and success. Evangelical spokesmen were solicited to voice views on Christian unity looking to the 1957 North American assembly. The nine-denomination Conference on Christian Union worked against odds towards its goal of organic union under the proposed United Church of Christ, with cooperative ordination. The drive for merger showed gains and defeats.

Congregational Christian Churches and the Evangelical Reformed Church, with more than two million members jointly, voted to merge in June, 1957, to become the nation's sixth largest Protestant denomination. The Presbyterian Church in the U.S., with 760,000 members in the South, defeated a projected merger with the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. and the United Presbyterian Church of North America. The Free Methodist and Wesleyan Methodist Churches, after years of negotiation, finally tabled indefinitely their proposed merger plans.

The relation of America's 56 million Protestants to the ecumenical movement was still not without its hesitations and doubts. Southern Baptists (eight million) and Missouri Lutherans (two million) were among the 15 million unrepresented by the National Council of Churches. The cooperative evangelical effort scored some gains, sustained some setbacks.

Secondary doctrinal disputes distressed some groups. Conservative Baptist forces saw a faculty exodus at Western Baptist Theological Seminary in Portland, where belief in the pre-tribulation rapture of the saints was made obligatory. Dispensationalism was being asserted with new vigor in several fundamentalist camps as the only consistent antithesis to liberalism.

But doctrinal disputes were not confined to the smaller movements. The United Lutheran Church in America, in the first heresy trial in its 60-year-

old Northwest Synod, found the Rev. George Crist, Jr. of Durham, Wis., guilty of heresy for open denial of the virgin birth and other doctrinal departures. And Princeton Seminary's President John A. Mackay contradicted Vice-President Nixon's tribute to the Roman Catholic Church as "one of the major bulwarks against Communism and totalitarian ideas."

In an action watched by the church at large, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., declined to review evidences to reverse the expulsion by Los Angeles presbytery of Presbyterians on the faculty of Fuller Theological Seminary. Required to leave that denomination on the alleged ground that the Seminary aimed to hamper the denominational program (as understood by the presbytery), these men shifted to other denominations with no difficulty. The Assembly also rebuked the growing Romanist emphasis on "Mariolatry," and simultaneously approved the ordination of women candidates for the ministry.

Comprehensive denominational programs were set in motion. Southern Baptists, now in 30 states, announced a radio TV expansion effort to reach the unchurched, including color programs and a \$200,000 station in Fort Worth. The American Baptist Convention, its past decade marked by losses both on the conservative right and liberal left, reported a building boom among its 6000 affiliated churches representing 1,600,000 members.

More than 1000 Methodist churches participated in a year-long prayer marathon—once around the clock in each church—for world peace, and 300 secretaries of evangelism mapped the denomination's plans for a nation-wide January to Easter attendance campaign.

Criticism mounted over Dr. Norman Vincent Peale's conception of "positive prayer" and over Dr. Frank Buchman's Moral Re-Armament, successor to the Oxford Group. Religious cults were beginning to show a remarkable strength. Jehovah's Witnesses frequently made headlines with huge assemblies.

Controversy over the harmony of science and the Bible flared anew with the appearance of attempts to halt the dissolving effects of scientific philosophy upon the biblical view.

Baker Book House issued the Twentieth Century Encyclopedia, two-volume supplement to the Schaff-Herzog set, carrying forward the diversity of Protestant theology in this century. Lutherans readied the translation of the Reformer's complete writings.

The tide of religious interest was high; how deep it was, remained uncertain. Giving was on the increase, church membership and attendance likewise. But so was crime, and spending for the sordid things of life. America was still the land of

## Temperance . . .

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series of "Prayer-fellowship" breakfasts for State officials and members of the 1956 State Legislature, according to Rev. Walter C. House, Executive Director of the League.

These breakfasts will be held at Frankfort one morning each week while the Legislature is in session.

Members of the Legislature and elected State officials have been invited. Many high officials and legislators of Kentucky have answered favorably to invitations to attend the breakfasts.

The League, itself, will sponsor the first breakfast in January. Other religious groups and organizations will participate as the program develops.

"We hope to plan the breakfast in such a manner that they will not be preachy or of long duration. We intend, instead, a stimulating and challenging fellowship experience," Mr. House wrote all candidates for State offices.

Mr. House said, "Occasionally, we hear of evil and selfish forces that try to compromise our Legislators and public officials with questionable social functions." "That is all the more reason," he added, "why moral and spiritual forces should provide opportunity for fellowship among the God-called men and women in public office."

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## Promotion . . .

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for assistance in stewardship and church finance programs for churches in these areas.

He will devote three or four days to conferences with local pastors and leaders, including Convention missionaries, at each stop on his itinerary. They will consider stewardship programs suitable for their particular areas.

Moore said the journey will serve a further purpose. It will enable him to see first-hand the missionary needs of Southern Baptists so these needs can be presented during the Convention's forthcoming program of missionary advance.

The Convention will observe "World Missions Year," beginning in October, 1956, and continuing through all of 1957.

spiritual opportunity and decision. But it remained for 1956 to justify the conviction that the greatest spiritual awakening in many centuries is actually underway.

(Editor's Note: Over 7,600 Baptists from 60 countries attended the Jubilee Congress of the Baptist World Alliance, which met in the Royal Albert Hall in London, England on July 16-22. They were a part of the 20 million Baptists of the world. More than 3,000 were present from the United States.)

## NBC Broadcast to Feature Christian Family



Mrs. Joyce Graves (third from left) of Carbondale, Ill., is the mother of five successful Christian members of society—all Southern Baptists. Here four of the children have gathered with their mother at the Radio-Television Commission in Fort Worth, Texas, to take part in one of the Faith in Action programs being prepared for January broadcast by the National Broadcasting Co. on the theme "The Christian Home in Days of Crisis." From left they are: Dr. Harold Graves, Berkeley, Calif., president of Golden Gate Baptist Seminary; Dr. Allen Graves, Louisville, Ky., dean of the school of religious education, Southern Baptist Seminary; Mrs. Graves; Dr. Rachel Rodoh, Hibbing, Minn., director of elementary education for that city; Mrs. W. A. Arnold, Jr., Houston, Texas, housewife; and Dr. T. B. Maston, head of the department of Social Ethics, Southwestern Baptist Seminary, program moderator. Dr. James H. Graves, Detroit, Mich., a psychiatrist, was unable to be present.

## Canadian Supreme Court Rules Quebec Closing Law Invalid

OTTAWA (RNS) — A Montreal by-law requiring stores to remain closed on six Roman Catholic holy days of obligation, and the provincial statute on which it was based, were ruled invalid by the Supreme Court of Canada here.

The decision of the nine-man tribunal was unanimous.

The high court declared that the aim of the legislation was

not to provide additional holidays for persons engaged in retail trade, as contended by counsel for the City of Montreal and the Province of Quebec, but to compel the observance of holy days by all store employees.

Many Montreal stores had consistently defied the law by remaining open on the holy days. They paid fines of \$40 each time.

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## New Year Resolutions

The New Year is not only a time for resolutions, but for taking inventory. Business concerns, both large and small, make an inventory of what they have and what they have done. They then make plans to avoid past mistakes and improve past performances.

Christians, everyone of them, should do likewise. What has 1955 meant to you? Are you living closer to Christ than you were at the beginning of the year? Have you been faithful in reading your Bible?

If you have not prayed more but less; if you have not read God's Word more, but less; if you have not grown spiritually, but have been a backslider—then with a forward and upward look determine to give God more of yourself.

If we are to make 1956 count, if we are to invest our best, there are some imperatives which must have our careful consideration.

May we suggest a few goals for 1956? As a starter make these and then add others. They should challenge every blood-bought, Christ-loving and God-serving Baptist.

1. Resolve to read daily God's Word. If we would read more Scripture and less trash we would be better off.

2. Be faithful to your church. The Church is the bride of Christ and as such demands our best.

3. Study Baptist doctrines. Learn why you are a Baptist and ever be ready to contend for the faith.

## Our 15th Year

Did you ever hear about the man who was asked how long he had been married? His reply was, "I've been married four years, but it doesn't seem like a day more than ten."

With this issue we begin our fifteenth year as editor of the Baptist Record. Unlike the man mentioned above, it doesn't seem like more than two or three. In fact, some of the things that we planned to do the first year have not yet been attended to. There have been so many other good things to come along that we just haven't gotten to them.

During these years, we have made the editing of the Baptist Record our main work. The Record has been continually on our mind and heart during these years. The work is interesting. Every week's issue is different from any other. And we hope the Record has been helpful.

As we begin another year, we are grateful, and will continue to be so as long as life lasts, for the many who have meant so much. Pastors, laymen, and good women all over the state have rendered valuable aid. State workers, as well as Baptist Building workers, have been cooperative and helpful in the promotion of the Record in circulation and editorial content.

Some of the oldtimers will remember back yonder in December, 1941 at the meeting of the Convention Board, when we were elected to this responsible office, we made

4. Have a family altar. It is still true that "A family that prays together, stays together."

5. Start tithing NOW, if you have not already begun. God demands it and blesses those who do and punishes those who don't.

6. Try to win at least one soul for Christ. If every Baptist in Mississippi would win one our church membership would double in one year.

7. Be considerate of others. None of us is all-wise. The other fellow may be right. Look for their good points and overlook their bad ones.

8. Endeavor to live so that others will know that you are a Christian.

Let everyone of us resolve to make the year 1956 the most significant and glorious year in Mississippi Baptist history. We are judged by the conduct of all and not by the faithful few. No chain is stronger than its weakest link. Weak, careless, indifferent, lazy and sinning Baptists will hinder the work of the Lord.

In his poem by the title: "The Ways" John Oxenham saw the three different planes on which a person may live his life:

"To every man there openeth  
A way, and ways, and a way,  
The high soul climbs the high-  
way,  
And the low soul gropes the low,  
And in between, on the misty  
flats,  
The rest drift to and fro.  
And every man decideth  
The way his soul shall go."

a two-fold pledge. Below we repeat that pledge and boast that we have kept it. It is:

1. To keep the Baptist Record true to the Bible.

2. To promote the work of Mississippi Baptists and to publish nothing that we think will hurt our work.

A few, just a very few, have insisted that we do things that did not meet those two standards. We have refused. Perhaps they didn't like it, but in most cases they have stood behind us and helped us.

We wish we could extend in person our hearty thanks to the multitude of readers who have taken time to write letters of encouragement and approval and even some who have felt it necessary to disapprove. All have been welcomed. They have helped, and we hope that this custom continues. During the coming year we shall try to make the Record more interesting and helpful. You can aid us in making this wish a fact by continually holding us up at the Throne of Grace.

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## Bible Society Day Is January 22

At the recent meeting of the Convention Board, January 22 was designated as Bible Society Day. On that day all Mississippi Baptist churches will be given an opportunity to make a contribution to the work of the American Bible Society.

A few years ago the churches were urged to make an offering of

some kind during the year. Results were just exactly like an invitation, "Come to see us some time." That kind of an invitation didn't mean much and was not often accepted. But when the invitation was, "Have dinner with us next Sunday," it usually got results.

By setting a definite time for this offering, more emphasis can be given to it and the response of the churches will be more general and more liberal. This has been the experience of the past few years.

Of course, if January 22 is not a convenient Sunday, another Sunday can be chosen.

Every church should have a part in this worthy work. We know of no organization that is more deserving of the united and generous support of Mississippi Baptists than the American Bible Society. It is equipped and experienced for doing a good job—that of publishing and distributing Bibles, Testaments, and Gospels. Untold thousands have been converted by reading some Bible or Testament which was distributed by some American Bible Society colporteur.

We urge every pastor, every Sunday School Superintendent, every WMU President, every Brotherhood President, every Training Union President to see that his church takes an offering. Perhaps not everybody will give, but somebody will give, and all should be given the opportunity.

Offerings should be sent to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive-Secretary-Treasurer of the Baptist Convention Board, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi and marked "for the American Bible Society."

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## We Are Thankful

To the many from far and near who sent all kinds of Christmas Greetings we say, "Thank you."

It is impossible to acknowledge all of them without working on

## THE GOD OF A NEW START



Christmas Day. We are allergic to that.

We are asking all to accept these words as our thanks with the wish that 1956 may be the most prosperous year you have ever known, both spiritually and materially.

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## APPRECIATES RECORD

Hamilton, Miss.  
Dec. 2, 1956

Dear Editor:

I am enclosing check for \$1.50 that I may receive "The Baptist Record" during 1956. I do enjoy the paper so much. At the age of 89, November 23, it is a joy to read and know what my own state, and sometimes County, is doing and the world at large. May God continue his blessings on you and your staff is my prayer.

Yours for the Master,  
Mrs. Isaac W. Rye

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## SEES CHURCHGOERS EAGER TO PUT GOSPEL TO WORK

CHICAGO (RNS) — Many churchgoers are "squirring in the pews" because they're not getting a chance to put the Gospel to work, the president of the Reformed Church in America said here.

The Rev. Daniel Y. Brink of Scotia, N. Y., addressed 500 delegates attending the denomination's first laymen's convention.

"There's a lot of squirming in the pews these days and it's not by children anxious over long sermons," he said.

"This squirming is being done by laymen who have been told what a wonderful Gospel they have, but have been given no opportunity to put it into effect."

He added that most of the "squirms" are World War II veterans who have been around the world and seen the desperate need for the Gospel, "only to return to find the church preoccupied with petty things such as bazaars and church suppers."

"More and more of them are

asking, 'Isn't there something we can do?'" Dr. Brink said. "And they're finding out that they can."

Dr. Elton Trueblood, director of religious policy for the U. S. Information Agency, told the convention "do - it - yourself Christianity" is drawing people to church.

"People have made a turn-about in their concept of Christianity," he said. "They've begun to realize there is no place in church for spectators — that Christianity is something more than being talked about on Sunday."

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### Evangelistic Meet ...

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The conference will get underway at 2:00 p.m. Monday afternoon and adjourn at 9:15 Tuesday night.

Harrisburg Church, Rev. Howard Aultman, pastor, will be the host church.

"The Divine Imperative" will be the theme of the conference with a strong program throughout.

Several outstanding state speakers have also accepted parts on program. In charge of music will be W. C. Morgan, state music secretary, with Mrs. Howard Aultman of the host church at the organ.

Speaking three times will be Dr. Moody, whose general subject will be "The Harvest of the Spirit."

Speaking three times on "The Fundamentals of Preaching Today" will be Dr. Patterson, while Dr. Weber will speak once on "Perennial Revival in a church."

Dr. Sanderson, who recently succeeded Dr. Charley Matthews, will speak on "The Message of Evangelism" and "Southern Baptists Evangelizing."

Presiding at the sessions will be Rev. O. B. Robertson, Raleigh; Dr. W. P. Davis, Flora; and Rev. Clifton Perkins, members of the evangelism committee of the Convention Board.

Elaborate plans are being made in Tupelo and in Jackson for the success of the conference.

Those desiring housing accommodations can learn details by referring to display ad elsewhere in this week's Baptist Record.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of 35th annual session of the Yalobusha County Association. The meeting was held with the Sylvaena Church on October 6. The next session is to be held at Oakland Church on Thursday after the first Sunday in October, 1956. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

## Community Rallies Behind Minister Cited For Contempt

GLOUCESTER CITY, N. J. (RNS) — Church and civic groups here adopted resolutions supporting the Rev. Loriot Bozorth Jr. of First Baptist church who was cited for contempt by Superior Court Judge Frank Lloyd of Camden, N. J.

The contempt action stemmed from a letter written by Mr. Bozorth that was printed in the Gloucester City News, a weekly. The letter criticized the judge for having ordered a referendum Nov. 8 on a proposal by tavern owners that liquor sales be permitted between 4 p. m. and midnight on Sundays. Prior to the judge's order, the City Council had rejected the tavern owners' referendum petition.

Resolutions by the Camden County Ministerial Association, the First Presbyterian church, and other local organizations charged that the judge's contempt citation threatens American principles.

The Gloucester City Fathers Association lauded Mr. Bozorth at "an outstanding citizen" and upheld his right to "express his

opinion on whether the judge's decision was right or wrong."

Many Gloucester City residents sent protests against the contempt citation to Gov. Robert B. Meyner, Chief Justice Arthur T. Vanderbilt, and Attorney General Grover C. Richmond Jr.

In New York, Mr. Bozorth's stand was supported by Editor & Publisher, weekly trade journal of the newspaper field.

"Newspapermen should fight for the right of others to express opinions in letters and in newspaper columns just as they would fight for their own right to publish news stories and editorial opinions."

The publication added that "a serious blow" at this democratic process has been delivered when a man is haled before a court of law for daring to disagree with a court's action.

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L. C. Kelly, founder and former president of Clear Creek Mountain Preachers School, Pineville, Kentucky, died recently at the age of eighty-one.

## Pastor Resigns At Harmony In Warren



Rev. Len Turner

Rev. Len Turner has resigned the pastorate of Harmony Church in Warren County to continue his theological education. The resignation was effective January 1.

Mr. Turner was pastor of the Harmony Mission and became the first pastor when the mission became a church. He led in the building program of the present church.

IN ...

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SOUTHERN RHODESIA,

JORDAN, GAZA, INDONESIA,

KOREA, JAPAN, THE PHILIPPINES,

PARAGUAY, MEXICO, COLOMBIA

Nurses are needed now to serve in Southern Baptist hospitals in eleven countries overseas. To maintain this expanding medical ministry nurses must fill vital roles in schools of nursing, clinics, and dispensaries as well as in the hospitals.

We at the Foreign Mission Board know that God calls nurses to missionary service. Are you a nurse—a student nurse or a registered nurse—with your college degree "in hand" or "in sight"? Do you know God's purpose for your life?

If you feel that God is leading you in this direction, or if you are interested in exploring this possibility, the Foreign Mission Board's personnel secretary, Elmer S. West, Jr., and his associates will be happy to discuss medical mission work with you.

Write to the Secretary for Missionary Personnel, Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond 20, Virginia.

### Baptists Thank ...

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Baptist hospitals was not immediately available but exceeded \$1 million.

Executive Committee Message

The Executive Committee's message to Ford Foundation was based not only upon its grants to Baptist institutions but for its aid generally.

The text of the message, signed by Committee Chairman Frank Hooper and Secretary G. Allen West:

"The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Nashville ... took official note of the magnificent grants allocated by the Ford Foundation to colleges, universities, medical schools, and hospitals. The Committee wishes to express its grateful appreciation to the Ford Foundation and especially to Mr. Henry Ford, II, president of the Foundation.

"Appreciation also is expressed for the vision of those who began and established the trust funds and for those who have the responsibility of now administering the funds.

"On behalf of Southern Baptists the Committee takes this opportunity to express its profound thanks for these munificent bequests. The Committee feels that these grants will mean to educational institutions a better qualified teaching staff and will result in better teaching and stronger youth. For the sick ministered to in hospitals it will mean better care.

"Thus shall the stewardship of the Ford Foundation set forward many of our educational and benevolent institutions in service to man for the glory of God."



## Panola Pastors Resolve To Support Gov't Officials

The Methodist and Baptist pastors of Panola County in joint action have unanimously resolved to give full support to all officials of local and state governments who took office on January 2.

The resolution was considered necessary to preserve the positive, healthy Christian relationship between pastors and public officials. It was the opinion of the pastors that public officials often feel that most resolutions from pastors are hypocritical and published only on occasions where some controversial issue is involved.

The pastors of the two denominations expressed the opinion that sympathy, understanding, counsel, guidance, and prayer would do more to assist public officials in solving the problems of government than would the critical negative relationship.

Rev. Arthur Houghton of the Sardis Baptist Church, acting as spokesman for the two groups, has mailed copies of the resolution to public officials in the Panola County area.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD  
KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

### Young Church Starts Right

Trinity Church in Wayne County was organized on last September 18, and as all good Baptist churches should, they lost no time in making the Baptist Record a part of their program. Just one month and one week later, the EVERY FAMILY list was sent in by the pastor, Rev. Melvin R. Jones.

Record readers in Wayne County are now listed as follows: CALVARY, 76; BIG CREEK, 39; BUCATUNNA, 43; CHICORA, 28; CLARA, 70; CLEAR CREEK, 24; Denham, 1; Eucutta, 1; EVERGREEN, 48; MT. ZION, 54; Pleasant Grove, 4; STATE LINE, 48; Waynesboro, First, 3; Yellow Creek, 2; RIVERSIDE, 21; Trinity, 18.

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### The Same Old Result

A few weeks ago Rev. C. R. Wicker, pastor of the Corinth Church in Leake County, asked that the Baptist Record be sent on trial for a few weeks to the members of the Corinth Church. The Record was sent.

The church did what eight out of ten churches do that try the promotion plan. They have adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan and from now on 49 families of Corinth Church are going to keep up with what Baptists are doing at home and abroad.

## Dupont Announces Mississippi Grant

WILMINGTON, Del.—(BP)—The du Pont Co. here announced gifts to over 100 colleges and universities, including Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.

It is the only Southern Baptist college listed.

Mississippi College will receive \$4000 during the 1956-57 academic year to help it maintain "the excellence of its teaching" program in chemistry, according to the donors.

du Pont gave the college \$2500 during the present school year.

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Forty-five churches and preaching stations in the Ogbomoso Baptist Association, Nigeria, participated in a simultaneous evangelistic campaign which resulted in 888 people professing faith in Christ, 38 of them Moslems. There were 1,755 rededications of life; and 40 people expressed a desire to give their lives in Christian service. Under the direction of the Training Union, students in the Baptist theological seminary, Ogbomoso, taught courses in soul-winning in all the churches before the campaign began.

Record readers in Leake County are now listed as follows: Bethel, 1; CARTHAGE, 185; CEDAR GROVE, 44; CENTER HILL (CONWAY), 32; CORINTH, 49; GOOD HOPE, 31; LENA, 79; McDonald, 13; MADDEN, 47; MARS HILL, 53; MIWDAY, 23; MT. CARMEL, 23; MT. ZION, 45; New Hope, 15; NEW ZION, 27; New Prospect, 10; NEW PROVIDENCE, 26; ROCKY POINT, 68; Salem, 1; Standing Pine, 2; THOMAS-TOWN, 66; TUSCOLA, 36; WALNUT GROVE, 74; Wiggins, 19; Hopewell, 16.

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### Old Mt. Pisgah Is On

The Baptist Record is glad to welcome on the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record Old Mt. Pisgah Church in Choctaw County.

Rev. H. A. Burdine of Clarke College is the pastor. The list of 20 names was sent by Mrs. C. E. Maddox.

Choctaw County Record readers are now listed as follows: ACKERMAN, 106; Bethany, 11; Bethlehem, 12; Beulah, 16; BLYTHE CREEK, 32; Chester, 15; Clear Springs, 8; CONCORD, 51; Covenant, 15; Fellowship, 17; FENTRESS, 20; French Camp, 2; McCurtain's Creek, 7; MT. MORIAH, 31; Mt. Pisgah, 16; NEW ZION, 38; Providence, 10; Spring Hill, 2; WEIR, 54; HOPEWELL, 23; New Haven, 21; Bogue Chitto, 1; OLD MT. PISGAH, 20.

## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

MISS ALEXINE GIBSON, Associate

MISS PAT HINES, Office Secretary



MISS HANNAH BRUMMITT

Miss Hannah Brummitt, superintendent of Cradle Roll work, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will direct the conferences for Cradle Roll workers at the Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention, in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, March 12-13, 1956.

Miss Brummitt is very successfully leading Southern Baptists in a great program of reaching the babies for the Cradle Roll, which is the initial step in getting them into the Nursery at the church each Sunday.

Our wish is that every Cradle Roll worker in the state might have the privilege of being in these conferences. Make plans even now for attending.

One of the four major emphases for Sunday schools this year is the Babies, and we are so glad that this capable worker will help us through our Convention to set forward a greater program of reaching the babies.

Don't miss this great opportunity, Cradle Roll workers.

### MISSISSIPPI RANKS FOURTH FOR FIRST TWO MONTHS

Mississippi is fourth among all the states in the Southern Baptist Convention in the total number of Standard units for October and November, the first two months of this year.

The total Standard units is 184, which is a good gain over the same period last year. We are most grateful to all who have helped in this good work.

Remember: Standard Units Are Better.

### HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

The sincere wish of all members of the State Sunday School Department is that 1956 may be an unusually good year in spiritual blessings to all people.

The God of Heaven has been gracious and good to us, and may we strive harder than ever to please Him in our work and service this new year.

And so, Happy New Year To All!

### TWO MAJORS COME EARLY DON'T GET CONFUSED

Two of our most important items of the year's Sunday school program are the State Sunday School Convention and the 16 District Conferences.

These come early in 1956, but they are entirely separate and distinct, in so far as the places of meeting, program, time, etc., are concerned.

So, please do not get confused as you see publicity on them for the next several weeks.

The State Sunday School Convention will be in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Monday and Tuesday, March 12-13.

The 16 District Sunday School Conferences will be in 16 different churches in all parts of the state, and over a period of four weeks.

Just watch the publicity on these and all will be well. Let's all work hard to make them of the most value in our Sunday school work of this year.

### AWARDS FOR NOVEMBER

NO. AWARDS FOR NOVEMBER ..... 3,010  
NO. AWARDS TO DATE ..... 5,318  
NO. CHURCHES TO DATE ..... 296

NO. ASSOCIATIONS TO DATE ..... 60

### HIGH FIVE ASSOCIATIONS

LAUDERDALE ..... 466  
HINDS ..... 377  
ATTALA ..... 230  
LEE ..... 153  
WARREN ..... 115

### HIGH FIVE CHURCHES

POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE, MERIDIAN ..... 116  
KOSCIUSKO, FIRST ..... 98  
HARRISBURG, TUPELO ..... 81  
HIGHLAND, MERIDIAN ..... 80  
TUPELO, FIRST ..... 72

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### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

January 9—Joe Abrams, Baptist Building; R. H. Abbey, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

January 10—Rev. M. C. Waldrop, Riverside Associational Missionary; Mary M. McLain, Mississippi College faculty.

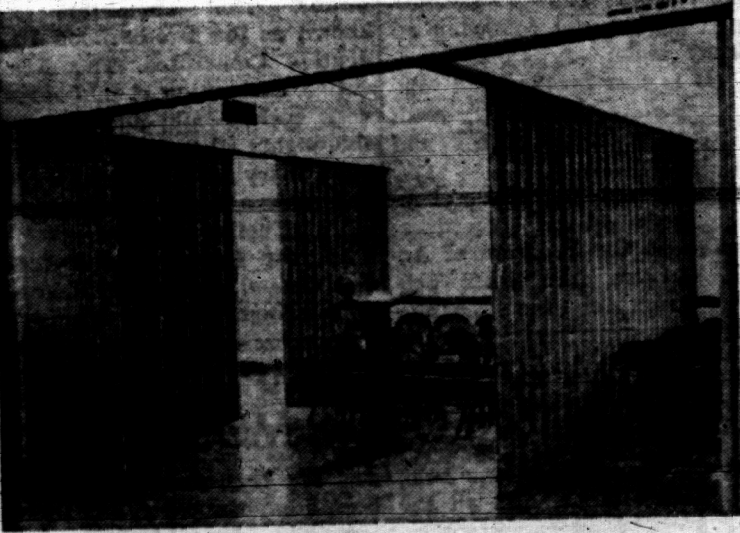
January 11—Mrs. W. E. Lewis, Copiah Associational W.M.U. Supt.; Luther Litchfield, BSU Director, East Mississippi Junior College.

January 12—W. E. Farr, Bolivar County Associational Music Director; Bill Bullock, Pike Associational Training Union Director.

January 13—T. E. Elam, Sharkey-Issaquena Associational Brotherhood President; James L. Clark, Clarke College faculty.

January 14—J. B. Young, Education Commission; Dr. H. M. Harris, Board of Ministerial Education.

January 15—Dr. Wyatt R. Hunter, Trustee, Baptist Foundation; W.M.U. Focus Week.



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## 66 MADE PUBLIC DECISIONS AT YOUTH NIGHT MEETING

### Four to Preach, Twelve As Missionaries

Sixty-six young people made public decisions for Christ during the recent Youth Night session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, it has been revealed. Of these, four are to preach, twelve are to be missionaries and forty-six are to do God's will in whatever vocation is chosen. There were four professions of faith also.

Preparing to preach are Bonnie Scott, 16, of Route 1, Yazoo City; Lynwood Porter, 17, Route 2, Brookhaven; William E. Young, 20, Route 1, Tunica, a student at Clarke College, and Aubrey G. Shelton, 31, Williamsburg, Virginia, also a student at Clarke College.

Jimmie Lewis, 14, Holly Bluff; Blanche Ann Reid, 16, Canton; Mary Nell Sanders, 17, Vicksburg; Dorothy Powell, 17, Vicksburg; Carl Henry Sullivan, 12, Baptist Orphanage; Martha Clay, 16, Jackson; Mageda McBroom, 15, Jackson; Patricia Magee, 18, Route 2, Vicksburg;

Judy Sigrest, 19, Flora; Sam Clarke, 26, Clarke College; Gloria Parker, 18, Route 4, Mobile, Alabama; and Betty Jean Wade, 18, Shelby, signified that they had been called to be missionaries.

The four who made professions of faith were V. H. Ross, 49, Star; Charles Berry, 18, Louise; Joseph K. Larrimore, 24, Lucedale; and Karee Spell, 20, Georgetown.

Barbara Ann Ellis, 19, Meridian, said she felt God had called her to be a Minister of Music and Religious Education; Charles F. Longino, Jr., 17, believes Religious Education is God's field for him; Virginia Weeks, 19, Route 1, Shaw, feels that God has called her to be a "worker with small young people," and Dawn Dillon, 18, Tylertown, and Carolyn Faye Sanders, 17, Louise, believe God has called them to be Educational Directors.

Others who made dedications and rededications of their lives to the Lord were: Mattie Eunice Brown, 17, Route 5, Yazoo City; Virgia L. Owen, 17, Mathiston; Mary Elizabeth McKinney, 14, Pocahontas; Carolyn Fox, Laurel; Faye Denham, 14, Natchez; Tommie June Rogers, 18, Monticello; Inez Juanita Williams, 14, Spanish Fort; Biebe Sketo, 14, Star; Betty Jo Simpson, 16, Vicksburg; Nellah Dearman, 13.

Kay Dearman (age not given), Tony Palmer, 14, Barbara Pope, 14, Marianne Stuart, 15, and Mrs. Ruth Joan Geiger, 22, of Meridian; Patricia Taylor, 15, Carolyn Mohaffey, 14, Mary Sanford, 15, Billy Caston, 14, Mary E. Burns, 14, and Lura Chaney, 17, Jackson; Frances L. Marsh, 17, Ocala, Florida; Annette Stuart, 17, and Bea Ladner, 17, Poplarville; Maxine Burt, 19, and Jack Sykes, 15, Newton; Wilda Thigpen, 20, Bay Springs; Sara Lewis, 19, Morton; Robert Townsend, 19, Perry, Florida.

Lucy Belle Deaton, 19, Thomasville, Alabama; Shirley Smith, 18, Bastrop, Louisiana; Barbara Waldrup, 18, Lyon; Sara Lou Conn, 18, Ruth; Sara Lea Lott, 18, Tylertown; Norma Allen, 18, Brookhaven; Anna Rue Valentine, 20, Brookhaven; Gloria Parker, 18, Route 4, Mobile, Alabama; Harold M. Perry, 24, Route 3, Grenada; Jane McLeod, 18, Lucedale; Robert L. Smith, 18, Brookhaven; Jeanette Jenkins, 18, Crenshaw, and Becky Chancellor, 17, Hattiesburg.

Dr. S. F. Dowis, Secretary of Co-operative Missions for the Home Mission Board, and Frances Flury, secretary in the Co-operative Missions Department, were married in Atlanta December 24.

## Pascagoula Pastor To Become Seminary Professor



Dr. T. J. Delaughter

Dr. T. J. Delaughter, pastor of the First Church, Pascagoula, has resigned his work there to become professor in the Old Testament Department at the New Orleans Seminary.

Dr. Delaughter began his work as pastor of the Pascagoula church on October 1, 1952. During this period of a little more than three years, he has led the church in a program of growth in all phases of the church program. Enrollment in all organizations has increased; the church budget has increased from \$84,000 to over \$117,000. In the past three years more than \$63,000 has been paid on church indebtednesses. The church has been led to provide full-time programs in religious education, church music, and youth activities.

Dr. Delaughter's resignation becomes effective on January 15, and he begins his work at the Seminary the same week.

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## Man Of Distinction

In a continuing effort to help the liquor crowd in showing that liquor makes "men of distinction" we cite another incident, which you will never see in the liquor ads.

All of you are familiar with the old claim that wine and beer are practically non-intoxicating. Read the account below, taken from the Nashville-Tennessean.

"New Orleans — (UP) — The wine-soaked operator of a cheap rooming-house climaxed what his wealthy foster-father called a misspent life yesterday by strangling his wife with a bathrobe cord.

"Jack Milton Campbell, the wife-killer, who bragged of being educated in exclusive academies, said he had knocked out his wife several times in earlier arguments and that both were drunk on WINE, when the fatal fight began.

Once again we have not only a "man of distinction," but a woman of extinction. The man is charged with murder and the woman has been buried.

## Brotherhood Department

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary  
JOEL RAY, Royal Ambassador Secretary  
ROBERTA CROWELL and BETTY JO RAY, Secretaries

### THE CHALLENGE

With the transfer of Royal Ambassador promotion to the Brotherhood Department, comes the greatest challenge that has ever faced Mississippi Baptist men. God's men must rise to this challenge to be fit leaders and safe leaders of boys.

It is the challenge to be physically clean, mentally alert, morally sensitive, and spiritually active. The challenge comes to men to dedicate themselves, inform themselves, to apply themselves, and to project themselves into the lives of boys, in order that the boys shall have safe and sure guidance into the will of God and into His work.

The Royal Ambassador movement is essentially a missionary movement among boys. And if men are to lead boys into the study of missions, into an awareness of God's redemptive program for a lost race, and into participation in missionary activities — pointing boys toward the best use of their lives for the Master, — the men too, must know missions!

Men cannot lead where they cannot go. If we, as God's men, are to lead boys up, we must go up before them!

### AN EFFECTIVE CHURCH BROTHERHOOD

The time is ripe for you to check your church Brotherhood against the following efficiency scale:

- (1) Is your Brotherhood completely organized, with all necessary officers and committees?
- (2) Is the Activities Program set up?
- (3) Has the Program of Activities (the work program of the Brother-

hood) been fed into the organization?

- (4) Has each Brotherhood officer been charged with his particular duties?
- (5) Has each Committee been charged with its particular items of work?
- (6) Are the Brotherhood programs which are being brought at your Brotherhood meetings well planned and designed to contribute to the carrying out, and carrying through of the Brotherhood work program?
- (7) Is the Executive Committee meeting regularly to counsel concerning everything about your Brotherhood, and to plan for more effective work in all your Brotherhood is endeavoring to accomplish?

If your Brotherhood can answer "yes" to all seven of the above questions, then your Brotherhood is on its way!

### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

It is practically impossible to build an effective Brotherhood without regular meetings of a steering and planning committee made up of the Brotherhood officers and the committee chairmen, along with the pastor. This committee is known as the Brotherhood Executive Committee. The Executive Committee should meet once each month; and explore thoroughly all that the Brotherhood is trying to do, and ways and means to do it all in a more effective manner.

Is your Brotherhood Executive Committee holding monthly meetings?

## FLORIDA BAPTIST EMPLOYEES REMEMBER "LOTTIE MOON"

A Christmas party was held, but "Lottie Moon" got all the gifts.

The employees of the Florida Baptist Convention have for some years been having a Christmas party and making the usual exchange of presents. This year when the executive secretary, Dr. John Maguire, asked the staff what they would like to do the staff suggested that the exchange of gifts be discontinued and the amount usually spent for these gifts be given to foreign missions through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. This offering was to be in addition to the amount given by the staff through their local churches to this cause. This put in action the motto "Let's put Christ back into Christmas."

At the close of the party it

was felt that there had never been a happier party, and those who attended went away feeling that they had again had a little part in bearing "... good tidings of great joy ... to all people." The amount received through this special offering was \$32.67 and every member of the staff present participated.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the fortieth annual session of the Montgomery County Association, which met with the Steward and Kilmichael Churches on October 16 and 17. The next session is to be held with the Shiloh and Eskridge Churches in October, 1956. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.



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JANUARY 15-20

This is an outstanding opportunity to turn the attention of the women of your church upon the purpose of Woman's Missionary Union and to seek to enlist the unenlisted.

Each officer and member of WMU will focus on their duties and determine the measure of response being given.

### CHEROKEE INDIAN SUPPLIES

Cherokee, North Carolina  
Dear Friends:

As the time approaches for women of the Southern Baptist Convention to make a special study of the mission work among the American Indians we are not unmindful of renewed interest that will be aroused in behalf of our Indian people.

We, as your missionaries, are anxious to help individuals and groups to make this study a real success, and at the same time I know our friends must realize that with hundreds of requests coming for help it will be impossible for us to do much in an individual way.

Requests are already being received for Indian crafts in order to give color to programs. It will be impossible for us to grant these requests, but I am giving the name of a craft shop and prices of small items that will meet the needs.

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  - Small Indian Made Baskets — 30c plus postage
  - Average Size Basket — \$1.00 plus postage
  - Small Tomahawks (for decoration) — 25c plus postage
  - Dance Rattlers — 50c plus postage
  - Bread Baskets (made of honey-suckle vine) — \$1.00 plus postage
  - Indian Dolls — \$1.00 plus postage
- Mrs. Tahquette is a fine Baptist woman and will give your

orders prompt attention. The Cherokees do not make blankets. Your co-operation will be a big help to your missionaries.

We are counting on all of you to pray for us.

Sincerely,  
MRS. EWELL PAYNE,  
Missionary

BATESVILLE WMU exceeds goal. The women had a Christmas tree in the church auditorium and each time \$10.00 was given for the Lottie Moon Offering a Christmas light was turned on. The tree was a beautiful sight Sunday morning as the 93 lights burned brightly. The tree also had Christmas tags on it listing the needs in the different countries of the world. A beautiful red and white gift box was placed by the tree to receive the offerings. The tag on the box said "To Christ for Christmas."

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Dear Friends:

ALOHA FROM HAWAII! How I wish I could share the joy-filled experiences with each of you personally, for the weeks in Hawaii brought rich blessings to me.

If it were possible, I'd tell you of the multi-colored beauty of the Islands (not the least of which are RAINBOWS and ORCHIDS!); of the consecrated missionaries and local workers; of the 17 thriving Baptist churches; of the fascinating foods and places; of the enchanting LEI (wreath of love); of opportunities for making Christ known to the racially-varied population; of the WMU and the General Conventions, at which I had the privilege of speaking.

Words are inadequate to tell of the trip; they are also insufficient as I seek to express thanks to everyone who shared in the trip. For EVERY manifestation of interest, there is DEEP GRATITUDE in my heart. It is my prayer that the missionary seeing and feeling may be accurately reflected in increased missionary giving, praying, and living.

Yours with grateful joy,  
Nell Taylor

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### WMU Will Confer On Carver School

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Woman's Missionary Union has been asked to send five persons to confer with other Southern Baptist leaders on the operation of Carver School of Missions and Social Work.

The conference will be called by Herschel H. Hobbs, Oklahoma City minister serving as chairman of the Carver sub-committee on the Southern Baptist Committee on Theological Education.

The Committee on Theologi-

## "CHRIST MY IMPERATIVE" IS MC RELIGIOUS FOCUS WEEK THEME

The spotlight is on Christ at Mississippi College January 9-13, during Religious Focus Week.

A hand-picked team of nine members will arrive on the campus Monday for a full week of spiritual emphasis centered on the theme "Christ My Imperative".

John Compere, senior from Newton and student chairman for the week's activities, has pointed out that this is a chance for every member of the student body to study his own vocation in the light of Christ's teachings. The visiting team members will participate in every phase of campus life, including chapel services, noonday prayer services, classroom discussions, dormitory "bull-sessions", seminars, personal conferences, and special evening services.

Bill Cody, Student Representative of the Foreign Mission Board, is the co-ordinator of the team which has been chosen from different vocational fields. Mr. Don Davidson from

Jacksonville, Florida, represents the field of business, Dr. Edward Amis, chemistry professor of the University of Arkansas, represents the field of science; Dr. James Lanier of Jacksonville is in the medical field and Dr. E. Bayliss Shank, professor of math at Vanderbilt University, is from the field of Education.

Judge A. J. Jones of Bogalusa, Louisiana, is a lawyer, Mrs. David Alexander of Nashville, Tennessee, is a housewife, and Rev. W. O. Vaught is pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Little Rock, Arkansas. In charge of the music will be Prof. Genter Stephens of the New Orleans Seminary.

Formerly held only every four years, Religious Focus Week is now held every two years to meet the needs of the rapidly growing college.

Spiritually speaking, this is the biggest week of the school year, and the aim is to make the Imperative Christ the vocational guide of every student.

### Baptists In Russia

The interesting reports on Baptist work in Russia given by our team of missionary representatives who conducted a preaching tour of Russia this past summer have been confirmed by three prominent non-Baptist voices.

Mr. Robert F. Kennedy, chief counsel of the Senate Investigations Subcommittee and brother of Senator John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts, came back saying that the Baptists have become "surprisingly" strong in Russia. Mr. Kennedy is a member of a family which has been very generous in Roman Catholic philanthropic efforts.

Mr. Clarence E. Pickett, executive secretary emeritus of the Friends' Service Committee, on his return from a month's trip to Russia, pictured a religious boom in the Soviet Union comparable to the one in the United States except for the lack of new church construction.

Mr. Pickett said that in the Russian churches he visited, notably the Baptist, tremendous collection bags were used which were quickly stuffed with ruble notes of various denominations, then emptied and filled again. Most of the notes

cal Education is studying the financial relationship between Carver School and the Convention. The school is in Louisville, Ky.

Hobbs announced two more persons will serve on the Carver sub-committee. They are Forrest Feezor, state secretary for Texas Baptists, and J. S. Bell, Hindman, Ky.

appeared to be 1-rubles worth 10 cents, but he said he also saw many 10-ruble notes, and a few 100-ruble ones.

He reported that the many Baptist churches he visited were all "crowded to the gills" with worshipers in some instances trying to hear the services from outside open windows.

Dr. Charl Ormond Williams, formerly president of the National Education Association, has also toured extensively in Russia, covering approximately 10,000 miles. In a letter addressed to the Director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs and to Dr. J. M. Dawson, the former Director, telling of an experience on October 16, 1955, she says in part:

"On that day I got an In-tourist car and driver and set out alone to find the only Baptist Church in Moscow. Before I left Moscow for a long journey to the southern part of Russia I ordered a guide and a car for the same purpose. That young woman guide told me flatly that there was no service on that day. I felt sure that was not true, but I decided to find it for myself. I insisted in my feeble Russian that he keep asking where it was until we finally located the church. It was not possible to get inside the church at the front door because of the crowd of people at the entrance. Very soon an elderly man spied me and beckoned me to follow him through several rooms in the church until he finally led me to the high pulpit

where the preacher was in the middle of his sermon. My entrance was apparently unnoticed though I did feel a bit conspicuous. I was glad to have that place for I could look into the faces of the people and see the excellent choir. Every seat was taken, people stood on both stairways to the balcony and many stood during that two-hour service inside the railing around the pulpit. The choir of about 50 consisted of young men and women who sang beautifully the classic hymns in the Russian tradition directed by a choir leader and aided by a pipe organ.

"I have visited many Russian churches, and I noted that very few people were in them — and that these were very old and very poor. So you can readily understand the impression this Baptist Church made on me — especially when I learned that there are 5,000 Baptist Churches in the Soviet Union, and 500,000 members."

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## Wrong Terminology Provokes Statement By Nursery Worker

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB) — Are our little folks in Sunday school "basement babies?"

A customer inquired of the Sunday School Board if they had any "songbooks for the basement little folks," which provoked Mrs. Ada Rutledge to say, "We do not want our Nursery little folks to be placed in the basements of our churches."

Mrs. Rutledge is superintendent of Nursery Work in the Board's Sunday School Department. She said the Board is encouraging churches to build the Nursery Department rooms on the ground floor so children will have windows to look out upon God's world.

"Too long the basement rooms have been considered for the children who are not big enough to cast their cries against such."

"Let's get the word 'basement' out of our terminology for the little folks in Sunday school," Mrs. Rutledge said.

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Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were:

Alice Faye Wynne, Pickens; Patsy Virginia Wynne, Pickens; Bethany Brock, Jackson; Mrs. Kenneth C. Gardner, Jackson; Mrs. Boyd Wyatt, Natchez; Florence Stan, Clinton; Richard Berry, Goodman; Gordy Hughes, Quitman; Rev. W. L. Meadows, Quitman.

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## Flowood Church Calls New Pastor



Rev. Glenn Morgan

Flowood Church has recently called as its pastor Rev. Glenn Morgan, who was formerly pastor in Mound, Louisiana. The church called Mr. Morgan on December 18 and he has already moved on the field.

Mr. Morgan is a graduate of Mississippi College. He is married and the father of three children.

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## Union Co. Pastors Hold Ladies Night

The Union County Pastors' Conference, holding its last 1955 meeting at the Ingomar Church, invited the pastors' wives to attend LADIES NIGHT. The church provided supper for 16 pastors, 14 pastors' wives and 13 visitors.

Pastors having part on the program were Rev. Doyce Lyons, Rev. J. R. Lively, and Rev. Percy Ray. Doyle Turner led the singing. The conference program theme for the past three months has been "Building a Soul-Winning Church."

Rev. H. W. McDonald is moderator and Rev. W. J. Clayton is secretary and treasurer of the conference.

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## VBS Film Strip "Know How" Is Ready

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB) — If you want to have a better Vacation Bible School in 1956, then show the filmstrip, "How to Have a Vacation Bible School."

The filmstrip is a production of the Audio-Visual Aids Department of the Sunday School Board for the Vacation Bible School Department. It is recommended for use at state and associational clinics, in the local church to "sell" the idea of a Vacation Bible School, to train workers, and use in the training program in the school itself.

The 15 minute color filmstrip has 40 frames, and is available at all Baptist Book Stores.

Order from the Baptist Book Store or from W. A. Wilde Company, Boston, Massachusetts. The price is \$2.50.

## Schools Receiving Ford Foundation Grants Named

By the Baptist Press

Twenty-three Southern Baptist four-year colleges received grants from the Ford Foundation recently. Here are the colleges and the amounts reported for them:

Howard College, Birmingham, Ala.	\$254,400
Judson College, Marion, Ala.	67,000
Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark.	142,100
Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.	223,700
Tift College, Forsyth, Ga.	70,300
Mercer University, Macon, Ga.	193,100
Shorter College, Rome, Ga.	85,300
Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky.	158,300
Louisiana College, Pineville, La.	157,700
William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.	161,200
Meredith College, Raleigh, N.C.	161,200
Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N.C.	515,300
Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla.	240,000
Furman University, Greenville, S.C.	428,800
Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.	202,900
Union University, Jackson, Tenn.	84,700
Baylor University, Waco, Tex.	884,800
Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Tex.	100,300
Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Tex.	97,700
Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex.	not determined
University of Richmond, Richmond, Va.	455,700
Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss.	52,900
Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss.	221,300

## West Corinth Church Ordains Minister



Rev. Reamilus Thompson

Recently West Corinth Church ordained Rev. Reamilus Thompson to the full work of the gospel ministry. He is a senior at Mississippi College, a resident of Corinth, and a member of the West Corinth Church, the church which licensed him to preach.

The ordaining council consisted of the following: Moderator, Rev. Earl Warford, the pastor; Clerk, Rev. Norris G. Hickman; Leader of questions in examination, Rev. W. C. Gann. In addition to these were: Rev. Gilbert Daniels, Rev. Abram Rogers, Rev. James Smith.

The sermon was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Earl Warford; the charge was brought by Rev. W. C. Gann; the presentation of the Bible was made by Rev. Gilbert Daniels, and the prayer of ordination was led by Rev. Abram Rogers. The deacons of West Corinth Church participated. Mr. Thompson led in the closing prayer.

## Hooper Appoints Two Committees

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP) — Federal Judge Frank Hooper, chairman of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, has appointed members of two committees of the agency.

They are:

Committee on State Budgets — James W. Merritt, chairman; M. H. Mabry, J. D. Grey, G. Allen West, Jr., A. Barnum Hawkes, Douglas Hudgins, C. C. Bowles, Kendall Berry, Purser Hewitt.

Committee on Survey of Southern Baptist Agencies — Douglas M. Branch, chairman; A. Judson Burrell, Carr P. Collins, J. Norris Palmer, Lewis M. Smith.

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## New Prospect Church Calls New Pastor; Presents Playlet

Rev. Elton Barlow is the new pastor at the New Prospect Church in Lafayette County. He comes from the pastorate of the Derma Church in Calhoun County.

In December the Young People of the church presented a Christmas playlet, "No Room in the Inn," under the direction of their sponsors, Mrs. Shag Tucker, Mrs. Latham King, and Mrs. Ernest Dalton.

Young people having parts in the playlet were Howard Holmes, Charlotte Brumett, Sibyl Holmes, Sammy Grantham, Betty West Johnson, Danny Brown, Kenneth Hodge, Paul Barlow, Bobby Dalton, Harold May, and Kewon Knight. The Junior Girls' Choir furnished the music.

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## Dr. Edwin M. Poteat, Raleigh Pastor, Dies

RALEIGH, N.C.—(BP) — Dr. Edwin McNeill Poteat, prominent Raleigh Baptist minister and president of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State, died here recently. He was 63.

Dr. Poteat was pastor of Pullen Memorial Baptist Church here. He was son of a former president of Furman University, Baptist college in South Carolina.

He died of a heart attack in a Raleigh hospital, although he was first stricken when he went to his church to perform a marriage ceremony.



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## STANDING BY OUR WARES

By J. W. STORER  
Pastor, First Baptist Church,  
Tulsa, Okla.

**EDITORS NOTE:** This is the first in a series of articles by the Baptist Press on the "Crusade for Christian Morality" which Southern Baptists are observing.

In Paul's letter to Titus (Titus 3:8), he says, "These things I desire that thou affirm confidently, to the end that they who have believed God may be careful to maintain good works." The marginal reference in the American Revised Version footnote has it, "profess honest occupations." Where the same thought is expressed in Titus 3:14, the footnote is the same: "profess honest occupations."

W. Gordon Robinson, in his "New Testament Treasure," suggests the word translated "profess" or "maintain," is literally "stand in front of," thus the picture is that of a tradesman always ready to stand surety for his wares, one who believes in what he professes and stakes his reputation on what he affirms, or offers.

Now, contrast that individual with the one described in 2 Corinthians 2:17, "For we are not as of the many, corrupting the word of God; but as of sincerity..." In the American Revised Version, from which the words are taken; the footnote reads: "making merchandise of the word of God." Moffatt translates it, "I am not adulterating the word of God."

### Not on Skid Row

When we speak of Christian morals, therefore, we find the root of the matter is the Rock upon which it is built, that is, sincere, meaning in the Latin (sine cera) "without wax", as the best and finest honey should be. The quite evident lowered moral tone of our day is of great significance to thoughtful people. Its most significant menace, however, is not found on the skid row areas — but in the lowering of the high standard set by the Christ who gives to men the name Christian, by those to whom the name was given.

Only positive Christian living can put a stop to the alarming decline in conviction about, and concern for, decency, honesty, and purity. This decline is found, alas, in the attitude of so many church members.

The phrase "moral re-arming" is sounding brass and a clanging cymbal; it can never do the work demanded in words, "Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God." Such transformation is not brought about by a slogan; only the day-by-day grace of God will do that. By grace are we saved, and by grace must we be kept. No lotion will effect a cure if the bloodstream is impure. So, first, if we Christians would attack the vicious gnawing evil of immorality, let us pray, "God be merciful to us sinners," and have clean hands when we come into court.

### Live Separate Lives

And then let Christians again live that separate life which once so distinguished them, and for which they were derided and resented. Nobody derides us now; we are resented by no one, because it is difficult to see anything distinguishable in us. "How can I hear what you are saying, when what you are saying keeps ringing in my ears?" is a saying which applies here. Before we engage in any campaign to clean up the world, judgment must first begin at the house of God.

We Christians need to read and re-read the whole second chapter of Titus until the words become flesh of our flesh and life of our life.

On the pillar in front of Richard Baxter's pulpit in his Kidderminster days are written in Latin the words: "I preach not ourselves but Jesus Christ as Lord. We are not as the most parte who choppe and change the worde of God." Nor dare we "choppe and change" the words of 1st John 3:3 to suit the tempo of our times.

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## Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

### Past Sins

**QUESTION:** In World War II I dated a man, and when he was ordered over seas we had intimate relations. I have repented of this and believe God has forgiven me.

Now I am going with a man who loves me. Should I tell him of my past sins?

**ANSWER:** Why would you want to tell him? Do you still feel guilty about your former sins? Do you want to test him to see if he will reject you? Or could it be that you wish to degrade him a little?

If you are the kind of a person who lives in the past, you will not make a good wife anyway. And if he is, so childish that he tries to pick your memory pockets, he will make a poor husband. I know that love is normally frank and open, and that some husbands and wives feel the necessity of unearthing all their skeletons. It seems to me that frankness should apply to the present, not to case histories.

But if you ever intend to tell him, do it before you marry him. Men do not like to be surprised. It hurts our vanity.

No, I would not tell him. He might use it against you in a family quarrel some day. It might worry him or hurt his pride. Some men just cannot stand such information.

If he really loves you, as one adult should another, it would not make much difference. But many men are not capable of such mature love. If you really love him, why saddle him with the memory of your past failures?

If God has forgiven you, forget it. He has.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

Dr. Hudson, his wife and Patty were on their way to Nashville, Tennessee on December 26th to see a sister of his who is ill. On the 27th, just outside of Paducah, Kentucky, they were in an automobile accident. Mrs. Hudson and Patty were not injured, but Dr. Hudson was taken to a nearby hospital and from there to Midstate Baptist Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee. He is suffering from a fractured vertebra and will be there for several weeks.

It is a miracle that they sur-

## CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young  
CALLED AND ACCEPTED:

H. W. Nowlin, Southern Baptist Temple, Phoenix, Arizona, from First Church, Sabinal, Texas.

Junie Barnes, Johnston Memorial, near Smithfield, North Carolina.

S. H. Roberts, Haw River, N. C., from Macedonia, Alexandria, L. A.

Ralph Culler, North Warrington, N. C. from Norlina, N. C. Stafford Hebert, Charleston Heights, S. C. formerly from First, Houma, La.

Henry E. Hulan, First, Tallapoosa, Ga. from Montgomery, Ala.

Ralph Brunson, Springfield, Ga. from Chattanooga, Tenn.

John S. Hurt, Chaplain, Gen. Hospital, Baton Rouge, La. from pastor, First, Jonesboro, La.

Adrian W. Coleman, Blodgett St., Carlsbad, New Mexico, from Calvary, Brownwood, Texas.

Harold W. Hendricks, "K" Street, Ardmore, Okla. from Marshall, Texas.

Carl Lee Ousley, Holland, Va. from First, Tarboro, N. C.

Hubert Garrell, Chimney Rock, N. C. from Hamlett, N. C.

A. A. Johnson, Mountain View, Route 1, Morganton, N. C.

R. J. Hogan, Forestville, N. C.

J. Paul Holoman, Whiteville Grove, Belvidere, N. C.

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Robert Nation, Wallburg, N. C.

L. M. Nixon, Central, Springlake, N. C.

John A. Bracey, Double Springs, near Shelby, N. C.

Bill Murfin, Oakdale, Rock Hill, S. C. from Eastside, Rayville, La.

Robert E. Lewis, Beloit, Wis. from Cash, Ark.

Russell Mondy, Second, Miami, Okla.

Garth L. Pybus, Topeka, Kansas.

Bert Teague, Washington, Okla.

Walter Light, Faith Mission, Duncan, Okla.

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Not many, but a few people are wasting time and postage in writing anonymous letters to the Baptist Record. Recently we received two newspaper clippings, an unsigned letter etc. For the benefit of all who are afraid to sign their names to communications may we make the statement that the Baptist Record does not give any consideration to any article that is unsigned. People whose motives are right should be willing to stand behind what they write or send. Those that are afraid to sign their names deserve and will get no consideration.

lived the accident as the automobile was completely demolished. Surely, the Lord was taking care of them!

## Students Will Serve As Mission Workers

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)

Eighty-three Baptist students will serve as summer mission workers in Southern Baptist foreign and home mission areas during 1956. Dr. William Hall Preston announced at a recent meeting of Student Union state secretaries here. Dr. Preston, associate in the Student Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, is director of summer student activities.

The state Baptist Student Unions will send 29 students to three foreign countries; to Hawaii, 14; Mexico, 14; and Nigeria, one nurse.

They will send also 54 students to home mission areas; to Panama, four; Alaska, eight; Pacific Coast, 16; Arizona and associated states, five; Colorado and associated states, four; Cuba, four; Indians, four; Spanish speaking, six; and French speaking, three.

Other summer work for Baptist students sponsored by the Southern Baptist Convention and state conventions are Home Mission Board Tentmakers; Ridgcrest Baptist Assembly, staff; Glorieta Baptist Assembly, staff; state summer mission programs; associational missions; youth revivals; home church opportunities; community missions; and community recreational leadership.

"Students should be urged to devote their leisure time during the summer in helping the local church in Vacation Bible schools, visitation and census taking, study course, and recreational leadership. The accent is, as it has always been, upon investing youth's best for Christ in the home church," Dr. Preston said.

## Hear The Baptist Hour

Radio stations in Mississippi carrying the Baptist Hour are: Canton, WDOB—5:00 P.M.; Centerville, WGLC—4:30 P.M.; Cleveland, WCLD—4:30 P.M.; Columbia, WCJU—Columbus, WACR—2:30 P.M.; Greenville, WJPR—8:00 A.M.; Grenada, WNAC—8:30 A.M. Mon.; Hattiesburg, WFOR—10:15 P.M.; Macon, WMBC—2:30 P.M.; Meridian, WAPF—9:00 A.M.; Meridian, WCOC—4:00 P.M.; Pascagoula, WPMP—3:00 P.M.; Poyune, WRJW—1:00 P.M.; Tupelo, WELO—8:30 A.M. Sat.; and Waynesboro, WABO—4:00 P.M.

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# Children's Page

## Jolly Mr. Winters



By Gladys Cleone Carpenter

The weather was cold, so Mr. Winters hadn't melted one bit. Mr. Winters was the big fat snow man. He stood in the yard where Tommy and Sharon lived.

Bill and Beth, their next door neighbors, had helped them make the snow man.

Now the four children were together:

"I wish we could stay up to night," said Bill. "It's New Year's. Mother and Dad and Sister will have a party."

"Yes, our mother and father and Big Brother are going to their party," said Sharon.

"Oh, I don't care," said Beth. "Let's have fun now. Let's fix up Mr. Winters."

Mr. Winters did look a bit shabby. He had looked all right for Christmas, but now his trimmings were faded and torn.

"What can we do to make Mr. Winters look like New Year's?" asked Bill.

"We could make him a new hatband," said Sharon. "And put the date on it."

The snow man had a tall, black hat. They made a white band for it. On the front of the band, they put the figures 1956.

Then the children got some bright colored paper. On it they wrote "Happy New Year." This they put across the snow man's chest.

"What else can we do to make him look like New Year's?" Beth asked.

"Bells are for New Year's," said Tommy.

"Yes, they ring while we're asleep, and everyone's having fun but us," said Bill.

"That's grown up fun," said Sharon. "It wouldn't be fun for us. This snow man is our kind of fun."

They decided to shape a hand bell from snow. And put the bell in the snow man's hand.

There! He's all ready to start the New Year," said Beth.

Mr. Winters looked very fine and he also looked very pleased. The children had made his mouth turn up at the corners as if he were smiling.

"Now let's go over to our house, and write what we'll try to do next year," said Beth.

Inside the house Sharon wrote down what each one decided to do. The list was like this:

IN 1956

1. Smile like Mr. Winters—Sharon

2. Be patient like the snow man—Beth

3. Be friendly—Tommy

4. Not beg to stay up late—Bill

Suddenly Sharon exclaimed, "Listen!"

Now they could hear a bell ringing.

Sharon ran to the window and looked out. There was a big hedge between the houses so she couldn't see anything.

"It sounds as if the snow man is ringing his bell!" said Tommy.

But the bell kept right on ringing merrily.

"Let's go see!" said Bill.

They put on their wraps, and away they went! Soon they reached the snow man.

"Look!" exclaimed Tommy.

For there in the snow man's right hand was a real bell—a metal bell.

"Someone has put the snow bell we made in Mr. Winters' left hand, and this bell in his right hand," said Bill.

Sharon noticed that someone had shaped a pocket on the snow man's chest. And in this snow pocket was a note. She took it out and read it to the others.

It said:

Dear Friends:

Thank you for making me look so nice. I'm always the best dressed snow man in town.

I want to repay you, so look under my hat.

Happy New Year!

Mr. Winters.

"Oh, let's see what's under the hat!" cried Beth.

Tommy was the tallest, so he was the one to look. He took off the snow man's hat, and felt on top of his head.

Someone had hollowed out some of the snow at the top of the snow man's head and had fitted in a sack. Tommy took out the sack.

The others crowded around as he opened it. They wanted to see what was in it.

The sack was filled with little cookies. They were bell-shaped, and were iced in several different colors. What fun!

"Who did all these things?" asked Bill.

"I'll go see!" said Sharon, and she rushed into the house.

"There's no one at home!" she said when she came back.

The four children never found out who left the cookies and the bell. They asked their parents and their older sister and brother, when they got back home, but they wouldn't tell.

## PRAYER OF THE SEASON

By Dorothy Dill Mason

Thank you for the start of spring

When tiny buds unfold.

Thank you for the summertime

All blue and green and gold.

Thank you for the painted hills

When autumn's bright leaves fall,

But for the first frail snowflake,

God, thank you, most of all.

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## Statisticians Ask Religious Census

NEW YORK (RNS) — Members of the Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies sent a telegram to Sherman Adams, Assistant to the President, Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce and Rowland Hughes, Director of the Budget, urging that the Commerce Department's Bureau of the Census conduct a religious census in 1956.

The action was taken at the Association's annual meeting here.

The telegram said the Association members were "deeply disturbed at cumulative evidence of serious question as to whether the Department of Commerce, the Budget Bureau and the President will recommend the taking of the Census of Religious Bodies in 1956."

Pointing out that such a census had been held every ten years since 1850, the religious statisticians said they strongly urged its continuance.

Dr. George Gallup, director American Institute of Public Opinion, Princeton, N. J., who addressed the meeting, said his polls reveal "the most religious people are the happiest; and the more unreligious people are the most unhappy."

The polls further show, he said, that the number of atheists in this country are no more than one to two per cent, and in France the Communists were the least happy group of people.

Dr. Gallup indicated that the most interesting polls taken by his institute have been on questions of religion. He said that his interviewers never experienced resistance when asking individual religious preferences or religious affiliation. "Actually we experience resistance when we ask how they voted in the last election," he said.

J. P. Edmunds, Southern Baptist Convention, was elected Association president succeeding Dr. Benson Y. Landis, associate director of the National Council of Churches' Department of Research and Survey.

So it was fun to make believe to pretend that the snowman rang the bell, wrote the note, and put the cookies in his hat, all by himself.

Good old Mr. Winters! (Copyrighted material used by permission)

## HOPE McCALL'S FRIENDS WILL PROVIDE PORTRAIT

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The Southern Baptist Executive Committee hopes friends of Duke K. McCall will donate his portrait so it may be hung in the Committee's conference room here beside that of Executive Secretary Emeritus Austin Crouch.

McCall, now president of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., was executive secretary of the Executive Committee from 1946 to 1951. He succeeds Crouch, the Committee's first executive secretary, who retired after 18 years' service.

The Executive Committee also authorized the writing of its own history but has selected no one yet to prepare it.

## ARKANSAS BAPTISTS MAY ADVERTISE THEIR VIEWS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—(BP)—Arkansas Baptists may use newspaper advertising to express their beliefs about separation of church and state.

Following up action taken by the state convention recently, the state executive board in session here authorized Executive Secretary B. L. Bridges to advertise the convention's views.

At the annual convention,

messengers expressed opposition to public tax funds being used to support any religious work or religious institution.

The executive board changed the dates of the 1956 convention, setting them back a week earlier because of confusion about the date of next Thanksgiving. The '56 session opens Nov. 13 instead of Nov. 20.

## TWO CONVENTIONS CHOOSE EVANGELISM SECRETARIES

By the Baptist Press

Baptist conventions in Alabama and North Carolina have appointed new secretaries of evangelism.

Julian S. Hopkins, pastor, First Baptist Church, Suffolk, Va., will assume the secretaryship in North Carolina Feb. 1. A native of North Carolina, Hopkins received his education at Wake Forest College and Southern Baptist Seminary.

He succeeds J. C. Canipe, who is now president of the North Carolina convention. Canipe formerly gave part-time work as secretary of evangelism and part-time work as director of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, Hendersonville, N. C.

Canipe serves only the Bible institute at the present.

Alabama Baptists chose Vernon Yearby, pastor, First Baptist Church, Florence, Ala., to succeed V. L. Wyatt, who died earlier in the year.

Yearby came to Florence 2½ years ago from Midland, Tex., where he had been pastor of the First Baptist Church 11 years.



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## Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell  
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### JESUS TEACHES CONFIDENCE IN GOD

Bible Text: Luke 12:4-53.

#### I. MAN HAS TO DO WITH GOD

(vv. 4-12). Last Sunday, for the first lesson in the New Year, we studied Jesus' stern rebuke of insincerity. Today we are to study how our Lord sets forth man's dependence upon God — and man's reason for a Godly fear of Him, and man's great reason for a constant attitude of perfect confidence in Him.

It is God alone Who determines the destiny of the souls of men. Men are assailed by fear. As long as evil rears its horrid head anywhere, it will persecute the people who in serving God seek to do the right. The spirit of evil impersonated in evil men will work evil to those who strive to do the right. The servants of God will meet evil and suffer as a result of the meeting. What is to be the reaction of good men to this condition?

Good men are not, I think, to seek conflict with the forces of evil but, wherever it is a question of meeting and enduring evil rather than turning aside from the right path, the good man has no choice. He is not to fear evil men, but rather to fear a righteous God. For evil men can only kill the body, after which they have nothing that they can do; but God has in His power the eternal destiny of man and, after death can consign the being, the personality, of the man to heaven or to hell. So it is God who is to be feared, not in a slavish fear, but in the filial fear of an obedient son who willingly, eagerly serves a good Father.

By-the-way, it seems to me significant that there is more teaching concerning hell, the reality of hell, the noisome conditions in hell, the horrendousness of hell, from the loving lips of Jesus than from all other words of the New Testament combined.

Now read verses 8 and 9 of Luke 12. Where, in the light of these words, do men get the idea that the matter of open confession of Christ is one of very slight importance? If these

verses do not say that open confession of Christ is a condition affecting the eternal destiny of men, what do they say? Now, to confess Christ before men is to stand up and be counted as one of His followers, declaring that He has been accepted as Lord and Savior, Savior of the life and absolute Lord of it. Of course it means that the confessor is to align himself with the friends and supporters of Christ's great kingdom, and to perform, out to the finger tips of what power of personality, strength of body or mind or heart, of volume of influence he possess, his best for his Master. He who does not do this, classifies himself according to these words of our Lord, "He that gathereth not with me scattereth."

The sin against the Holy Spirit, the unpardonable sin, has been the subject of many a so-called sermon. The masses of people love to hear a preacher discourse upon this theme. Said a good old man to me, "Are you going to preach on the unpardonable sin during the meeting. I wish you would. I've heard a lot of preachers preach on it. They all differed, and I'd love to hear your ideas on it."

What is it? Maybe this is: it is knowingly, deliberately, maliciously attributing the work of the Spirit of God to the Devil. Maybe He meant that while He, the Son of Man, was on earth in the state of His humiliation, to speak against Him might be passed up as a speaking against man but, after His suffering and exaltation, after the Pentecostal coming of the Holy Spirit, after the demonstration of the ascended Savior's power in witnessing through His apostles, the blasphemy of His name would have an awful significance for those who indulged in it.

#### II. "AND ONE OUT OF THE MULTITUDE"

(vv. 13-21). Here was a chap concerned wholly with the material. He requested, or rather, he demanded that Jesus order his brother to give him what he desired of the property left his father at death. This Jesus refused to do it as unbecoming His mission on the earth. But in illustration of His teaching that a man's life does not consist of the abundance of his worldly possessions, he speaks the parable known to all Bible students as the parable of the rich fool.

This was a farmer whose land produced such a crop that his barns could not hold it. Read the story and note in the speech of this farmer that he thought only of the material things as having value for him, and of himself as the only person concerned in his life. "My goods, my barns, my grain and my fruits, my soul," and so on. No thought that his earthly life might not continue "for many years," no thought that his soul might not thrive upon such food as delights the appetite of a mule or a hog. Old Scotch John McNeill calls him "The Farmer who Fed His Soul on Corn."

"But God said, 'this night.' Cut off with nothing to hope for, forced to leave all behind, and with nothing laid up in the other world. Having disregarded the principle laid down by Jesus in the words, 'Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth . . . but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven.' 'So is every one that layeth up treasures for himself and is not rich toward God.'"

#### III. AGAINST ANXIETY

(vv. 22-34). Stop your worrying! forego all your feverish anxiety concerning the minor things of this life! His words are, "Therefore, I say unto you, Be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat." Be not anxious, be not anxious! That is the word. Of course the King James wording, "Take no thought," is not what our Lord meant, nor what He said. A farmer who should "take no thought" would never even break his ground. The student who should "Take no thought" would never prepare a lesson. A man who should "Take no thought" would never make preparation for the heaven of the future.

Worry kills, anxiety weakens. This page will be read by a lady in a distant state who lost her purse in Jackson one day last week and worried on

## Ole Miss Asks Funds To Buy Biblical Manuscripts

Ministers of Oxford, Mississippi churches (home of Ole Miss) have endorsed a Friends of the Liberty Association project for the purchase of two

that account almost to literal sickness, only to learn that an honest man had found her purse and was very willing to return it. The worry had done no good and had made her unhappy for some hours. Lean in perfect confidence upon God, and He will give you the desires of your heart.

#### IV. AN EXHORTATION TO READINESS

(vv. 35-53). We need a whole lesson or two on this rich, passage! The conclusion of the matter is that our Lord is here approaching the matter of preparedness from a number of different angles at the conclusion of which survey He says each time words that mean, "Be ready." His followers are to heed these words, this admonition.

You are not to request of Him that He say when and under what circumstances He will come back. He will attend to that as His business under the Father, and you and I are to attend to our business as He assigns it to us. He freely predicts that He will suffer such agony as to make its comparison to an overwhelming flood appropriate. He wants His own to be prepared to undergo for His sake and the gospel's as fiery trials as He was called upon to undergo for them.

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rare Coptic manuscripts containing the books of Jeremiah, Lamentations, Jonah, Jude, an epistle of St. Peter, and the lost treatise on Easter by the Second Century church father, Bishop Melito of Sardis.

"We earnestly hope that sufficient funds may be obtained to effect the purchase of these important early Biblical manuscripts, that they may be deposited in the Library of the University of Mississippi for decipherment and publication and for observation and study by all those who are interested in these ancient texts," the resolution reads.

The two manuscripts were obtained from Egypt in September for inspection and possible purchase by the group of University professors. They have been examined by several eminent archeologists and philologists and were found to be authentic.

Dr. William H. Willis, chairman of the Department of Classics, is also chairman of the Association's Manuscript Committee. He is now accepting pledges and donations from churchmen and civic leaders interested in seeing these writings preserved for posterity at the University of Mississippi.

The order of the two codices was written in either the Third or Fourth Century. It is on papyrus and is considered to be one of the oldest in existence, according to Dr. Willis. The second manuscript is on parchment or vellum and dates to the Fifth or Sixth Century.

The Mississippi manuscripts are indeed a prized addition to this nation's growing collection of Biblical manuscripts. Support of Baptists throughout this area is requested.

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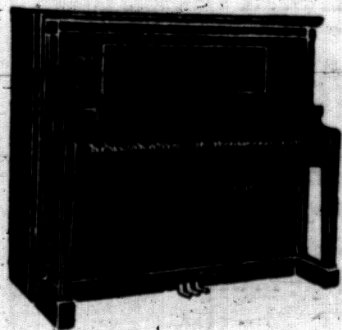
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Clarksdale, Oakhurst	425	123
Hattiesburg,		
Main Street .....	851	381
Mission .....	14	
Pearl (Rankin) .....	195	135
Jackson, Highland ..	110	70
Jackson,		
Daniel Memorial ..	741	300
Jackson, West .....	327	153
Richland (Rankin) ..	163	76
Jackson, Midway ....	144	70
Flowood .....	98	103
Jackson, Hillcrest ..	246	147
Jackson, Broadmoor ..	401	161
Jackson, Northside ..	566	160
New Albany, First ...	669	210
Main School .....	608	177
North Side Mission	61	33
Pascagoula, First ....	710	233
Main .....	587	176
Orange Grove Chapel	83	31
McArthur Chapel ...	40	26
Morton .....	325	236
Main .....	235	108
Mission .....	90	128
Corinth, East .....	194	92
Canton,		
Center Terrace ...	260	143
Picayune, First .....	529	163
Soso, First .....	152	115
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	198	111
Batesville, First ....	441	216
Brookhaven, Central ..	120	73
Laurel, Wildwood ...	227	101
Ora (Covington) .....	61	47
Laurel, Highland ...	223	104
Bethlehem (Jones) ...	157	110
Crystal Springs, First	656	229
Bruce, First .....	266	102
Hernando .....	157	63
Concord (Choctaw) ...	70	64
McComb, Locust St. ...	109	64
Bluff Springs (Pike) ..	74	72
New Sight (Lincoln) ...	138	72
Macedonia (Lincoln) ...	235	106
Gulfport, First .....	731	238
Corinth, Tate Street ...	200	86
Booneville, First .....	291	83
West Point, Calvary ...	247	155
Newton, First .....	425	194
McComb, Friendship ...	185	63
Main .....	141	46
Mission .....	44	17
Aberdeen, First .....	334	117
Stonewall .....	181	110
Greenwood, North ....	329	89
Grenada, Emmanuel ...	223	90
Lucedale .....	379	164
Petal-Harvey .....	368	163
Main .....	321	151
Harvey .....	32	
Richton Road .....	15	12
Bay St. Louis, First ...	122	41
Columbia, First .....	661	256
Main .....	601	221
South Columbia		
Mission .....	60	35
Houston, First .....	320	182
Jackson, First .....	1229	400

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Riverside Baptist Association has contracted with Radio Station WKDL of Clarksdale, Mississippi to sponsor The Baptist Hour each Sunday at 2:00 P. M. This station is found at 1600 on the dial.

### New Tract Titles Added To BSSB List

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —

(BSSB) — New titles added recently to the Sunday School Board's list of free tracts include: *Saved and Sure*, by D. C. Crawford, an evangelistic tract majoring on the assurance of salvation; *You Can Win Others*, by M. Ray McKay, a step by step instruction in methods of personal evangelism; *Is It Right for a Christian?* by John E. Barnes, Jr., written to help in recognizing the rights and wrongs of Christian behavior; *Where There's Life There's Growth*, by Nathan C. Brooks, a pastor's statement on the musts and methods of Christian character development; *What's Wrong With Gambling*, by M. O. Owens, Jr., which exposes the evils of gambling; *Baptists, Roman Catholics, and Religious Freedom*, by Henlee H. Barnette, a solemn warning concerning threats to that freedom and offering a challenge to constructive action.

A complete list of general tracts is available from the Tract Editor of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. The Board makes free tract grants in reasonable quantities to churches and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the Pearl River Association, which met in ninety-ninth annual session, with the Corinth Church on October 6 and 7. The 1956 meeting will be held with the Pine Grove Church. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

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### Three Of Five Texans Honored Are Baptists

Three of the five young men named by the Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce as the state's most outstanding during 1955 are Southern Baptists.

They are William Steuart McBirnie, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, San Antonio; Bill Alleorn, Brownwood attorney and member of First Baptist Church there, and Jim Landsey, Texarkana attorney, speaker for the Texas House of Representatives and member of First Baptist Church, Austin.

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*Begin the Year  
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### Rev. A. A. Ward Named Leake Co. Missionary



Rev. A. A. Ward

Rev. A. A. Ward has been elected by the Executive Committee of the Leake County Baptist Association to serve as the Superintendent of Associational Missions beginning on January 1, 1956. Mr. Ward is a native of Leake County and has served churches in that area for many years.

He will maintain an office at the Carthage Baptist Church and can be reached at telephone number 4482.

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### Buddy Cooper Comes To United States For Medical Care

Dr. and Mrs. William L. Cooper, Southern Baptist missionaries to Argentina, have returned to the States on furlough earlier than scheduled so that their 11-year-old son, Thomas Richard (Buddy), may receive necessary medical care. Buddy lost his left leg in an electric train accident in Buenos Aires on October 14. The Coopers arrived in the States December 17 and may be addressed at 1533 Godwin Street, Houston, Tex.

(Editor's note: Dr. Cooper is the son of Dr. W. E. Cooper, retired pastor, of Jackson and a brother-in-law of Secretary Chester L. Quarles and of Dr. G. Norman Price, Jackson pastor.)

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### Beacon St., Phila. Calls New Pastor

Beacon Street Church, Philadelphia, has called as their pastor Rev. Billy Kellogg of Cleveland, Tennessee. He has been filling his present pastorate for the past four years and will report to his assignment on January 8.

Mr. Kellogg succeeds Rev. James Kirkendall, who resigned as pastor of the Beacon Street Church last February to accept the pastorate at Lyon.

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# Pastor Preaches What He Practices

Rev. Tommy Fant, pastor of the Harmony Church, Laurel, not only practices law enforcement but he preaches it.

In recent months he has been active in making raids on liquor joints and swearing out affidavits in co-operation with the district attorney. This action was necessary in the part of Mr. Fant and other preachers and citizens because of the break-down of law enforcement in the sheriff's department, according to an announcement from Laurel. One of the recent raids executed by this group netted a haul of about \$6,000 worth of liquor and a truck which was confiscated.

On a recent Sunday Pastor Fant backed up some of his deeds with a sermon on law enforcement. His subject was, "The Responsibility of the Christian in Law Enforcement." He urged his people to support the duly elected officers with deeds as well as words. Slightly condensed the sermon follows: Subject: "The Responsibility of the Christian in Law Enforcement"

Scripture: Romans 13:1-7, Titus 3:1-2, I Peter 2:13-17.

Text: I Peter 2:13-14

Within a few short days those elected during the summer primaries to fill places of responsibility in government and law enforcement are to assume their posts of duty. It behooves each of us to consider seriously our individual responsibility, as Christian Citizens, toward those elected, as well as toward the government and the laws which we expect them to uphold and enforce.

Let each of us ask ourselves the question, "What is my personal responsibility as a Christian citizen in the matter of good government and law enforcement?"

Let us honestly and sincerely seek the answer. Also, in the light of the Scriptures, let us seek to measure up to our personal responsibility.

First, it is the responsibility of the Christian to personally respect and obey the laws of our land.

1. The Christian should have the right attitude toward law enforcement.

(1). He should not expect special favors, such as ticket fixing, etc.

(2). He should not expect officers of the law and court officials to abandon ethical practices when

dealing with him simply because he is a personal friend or because he has voted for the official.

(3). He should not expect miracles to be worked unless he is willing to help work those miracles.

2. The Christian should maintain proper personal conduct toward law enforcement.

The Christian Citizen can do more to promote good government and effective Law Enforcement by setting the proper example than in any other way. The Apostle Paul said, "THOSE THINGS WHICH YE HAVE BOTH LEARNED, AND RECEIVED, AND HEARD, AND SEEN IN ME, DO . . ." (Phil. 4:9)

(1). He should properly inform himself concerning the laws of the land.

(2). Being properly informed, he should endeavor to help others to develop and maintain a proper attitude and conduct toward the laws as they are written.

Second, it is the responsibility of the Christian to teach his children to properly respect and obey the laws of our land.

Every generation is responsible to God for pointing out to each succeeding generation the path to a progressively better way of life through Precept and example. "AND THESE WORDS, WHICH I COMMAND THEE THIS DAY, SHALL BE IN THINE HEART; AND THOU SHALT TEACH THEM DILIGENTLY TO THY CHILDREN." (Deut. 6:6-7a).

1. The Christian should teach his children to love and respect the laws of our land.

2. The Christian should teach his children to trust and respect those charged with the enforcement of our laws.

3. The Christian should teach his children to accept their responsibility toward our government and the laws of our land.

Third, it is the responsibility of the Christian to qualify himself as a citizen and to properly fulfill his obligations in the matter of electing honorable and qualified people to public office.

This involves:

1. Proper registration.  
2. Paying of Poll Tax.  
3. Participation in election campaigns by:

(1). Exercising his right of franchise at the polls.  
(2). Exercising his influence in the interest of the right people.

Fourth, it is the responsibility of the Christian to render every reasonable service in co-operation with those elected to public office, for the proper enforcement of all the laws.

This may involve either or all of the following:

1. Reporting known or suspected violations.  
2. Swearing out affidavits in cases of persistent violations.

## 50, 40 and 25 Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.

### 50 Years Ago

The Pocahontas Church did a "nice thing" for their pastor (P. A. Haman) at Christmas time, giving him a "number one overcoat."

Miss Bell Stigler tells of the missionary box-packing at Durant for Rev. A. A. Reith and family in Florida, valued at \$132.80 by the following churches of the Yazoo Baptist Association: Durant, \$34.20; Lexington, \$33.85; Bethel (Black Jack), \$19.75; Goodman, \$10.00; Sharon, \$7.50; Duck Hill, \$5.00; and Pleasant Ridge, 50 cents.

### 40 Years Ago

The Hernando Church celebrated her Diamond Jubilee on a recent Sunday under the leadership of Pastor W. C. Boone, having been organized August 22, 1840. The church enjoys the distinction of having one of twelve Sunday Schools in Mississippi with an A-1 rating, and of holding the title to the town cemetery.

### 25 Years Ago

Missionary H. M. Harris was a passenger on the train which was wrecked near Goodman on Dec. 21, but escaped unhurt. Nine cars were thrown from the tracks, resulting in only one person being seriously hurt.

The Forty-first Avenue Church, Meridian, held a study course for the Senior B.Y.P.U. and every member enrolled took the course, and all passed a successful examination.

3. Being willing to testify when called upon to do so, or even volunteering.

4. Being willing to serve on the jury and to mete out justice, as well as mercy.

5. Being willing to help in the serving of warrants and the making of arrests when necessary.

Fifth, it is the responsibility of the Christian to protect those elected to public office from unjust criticism, smear campaigns, and hurtful rumors. Such attacks on the character, conduct and reputations of honorable men are always started and promoted by chronic fault finders, unscrupulous politicians, law violators and/or hoodlums.

IN ORDER TO PROTECT THESE MEN THE CHRISTIAN CITIZEN MUST DO SEVERAL THINGS:

1. He must familiarize himself with the duties and responsibilities of each officer.

2. He must be willing to antagonize those guilty of such underhanded methods by speaking out against them and demanding proof rather than idle gossip.

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## Baptist Student Union

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Pictured above is Billy Hester, President of the Northeast Junior College BSU and their State Greater Council member.

Reports from Northeast indicate that Billy and his fellow students, with their adult leaders, are doing a fine work for the Lord. As has been mentioned before, Northeast has the 26th and newest BSU in the State. It was organized in October, 1955, and is the first BSU ever established in the Booneville school.

### Miscellaneous

We rejoice with William Carey BSUs in their collecting \$1,336.98 for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. Congratulations, BSU Director Jewel Hannah and students!

Poplar Springs Drive Church in Meridian, where friend Robert Woody is pastor, and East Central Jr., where Gladys Bryant is the outgoing BSU Director, comprise our out-of-town peregrinations since last report. Miss Bryant, incidentally, goes Jan. 15 to be the first BSU Director Itawamba Junior College has ever had. More on that later.

Blue Mountain, where Miss Imogene Polley is BSU Director, has organized a Freshman BSU Council; entertained fourteen international students with a Thanksgiving breakfast; had BSU Director Louie Farmer, of Miss. Southern, for their Mission Emphasis Week; had Rev. Nolan Shepard, Greenville, Ky., for Evangelistic Emphasis Week.

Many churches and BSUs have written about their Student Night at Christmas programs. Thanks.

Delta State BSU, according to Director James Breland, helped a retired invalid Baptist preacher with a cash gift for Christmas.

Word from Mrs. George Nichols, BSU Director for Co. Lin Jr., is that they're getting close to First Magnitude. Miss., with five, was second in Sou. Bapt. Conv. last year; let's double that number this year and be first.

Southwest Jr., where Miss Elois Coward is BSU Director; E. Miss. Jr., where Luther Litchfield is BSU Director, et al. plan to use the Foreign Board film, Recruits for Christ, soon.

Students, planning to work under Home Mission Bd. next summer must file applications by Feb. 1.

Dedicated Vocations Week, when students are challenged to dedicate their vocations to God, comes Jan. 8-15.

Lenno Powell, Holmes Jr. BSU Director, reports that through the use of a talent sheet, they have thus far used 50 of their 135 Baptist students in the work there. BSU President Shirley Temple, reports: "As a whole, our work is growing, and is developing into one of the finest movements this campus has experienced. BSU is beginning to really mean something in the lives and hearts of all of us and it is providing us with more training than we could possibly get through any other organization or type of work."

Pearl River Jr. reports approximately 15 unsaved, one joining Poplarville Church.

Northwest Jr. has 182 Baptists.

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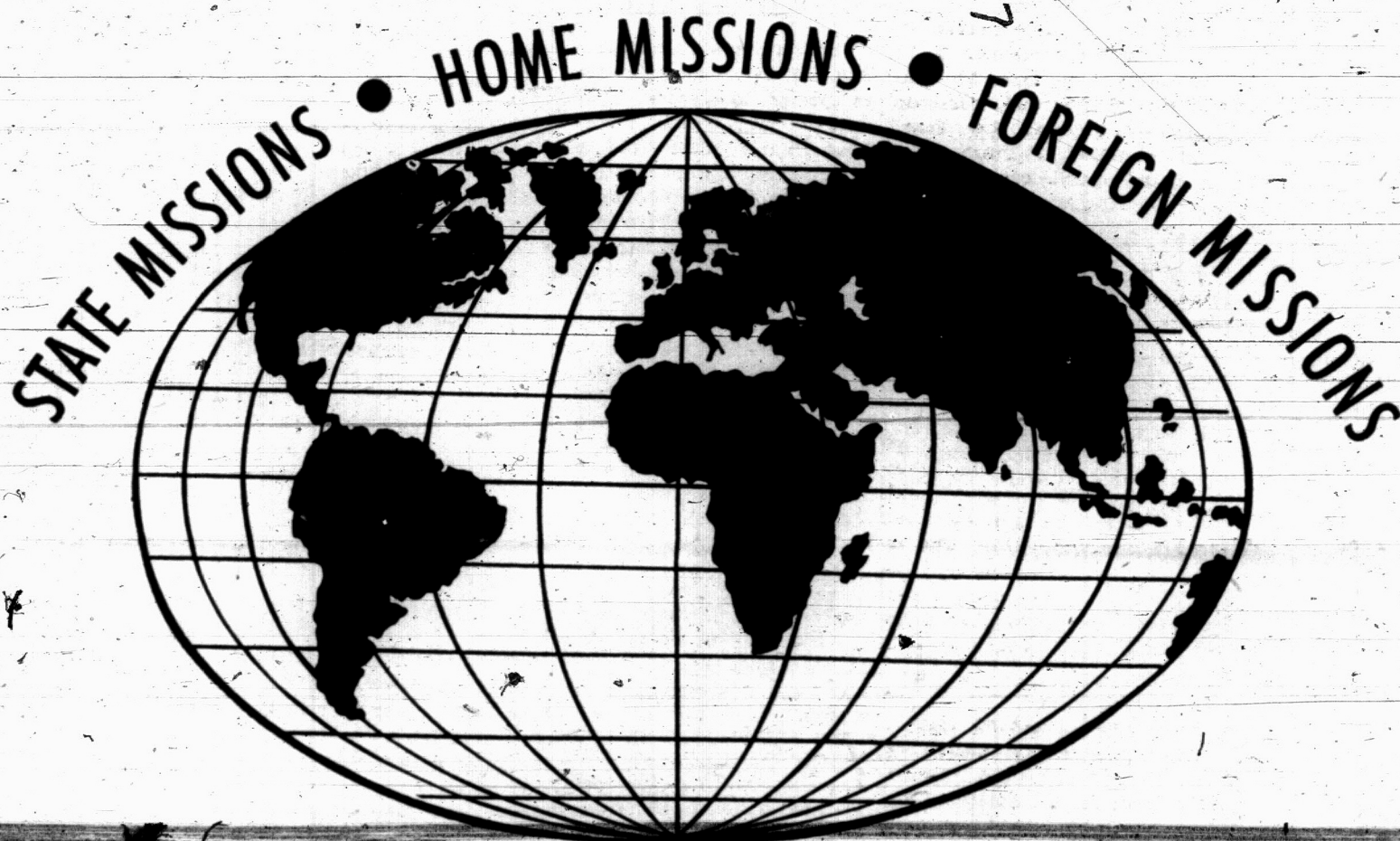
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## Sparks & Splinters

"It is important to keep in mind that the Cooperative Program is not a plan for raising money, but it is a channel through which churches respond to various mission needs." . . . Porter Routh, executive secretary, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee in his annual report for 1955.

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Mary Carolyn Shepard, one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shepard, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan, died December 23 after a brief illness. Now in the States on furlough, the Shepards were in Camden, Ark., spending the Christmas holidays with relatives when the baby died. Their furlough address is Box 547, Southern Louisville, Ky.

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Southern Baptists through the Home Mission Board now minister to people in 41 states, the District of Columbia, Cuba, Panama, Canal Zone, and Alaska. This fact is pointed out vividly in the new Home Mission Board map showing field of work by the Board. The map is available upon request from the Board. An accompanying study guide amplifies the information given on the map.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — One hundred fourteen Opdyke scholarships totaling \$10,550 will be granted by the Southern Baptist Executive Committee during the 1956-57 school year. Money for the

scholarships comes from a fund dating back to 1927 when Mrs. Ida Reed Opdyke left the Southern Baptist Convention almost half her estate. The Jameson, N. Y. woman stipulated that the fund should be used to educate mountain people. Thirty-two of the students getting grants in '56-'57 will attend senior colleges; 33, junior colleges; 24, academies, and 25, preachers' schools. The corpus of the Opdyke fund is \$239,446 and the total amount of scholarships paid out since the will of Mrs. Opdyke is \$147,540.

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HAMBURG, Germany—(RNS) — Celebrations were held here to mark the 75th anniversary of the Baptist Preachers' Seminary in Hamburg-Horn. There are about 100,000 active Baptists in Germany, 530 congregations and 300 pastors. Some 35,000 Baptists live in the Soviet Zone. German Baptists also maintain several deaconesses' and youth homes, a Bible school and a printing shop. The Baptists have attracted wide attention in recent years through their tent missionary program under which teams of evangelists hold services and lectures throughout the country.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the Choctaw County Association, which met in the 35th annual session, at the Hopewell and Bethany Churches in October. The next meeting will be at the Mt. Moriah and the Mt. Pisgah Churches on October 16 and 17, 1956. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

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It was also estimated that liquor stores in the United States will do a \$308 million business during this December. And, along with this announcement comes the newspaper headlines: "Traffic fatalities break all records during Christmas holidays."

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Recently Phalti Church in Clarke County ordained J. M. Combest as a deacon. The pastor, Rev. Bill Stroud, Mississippi College student, Rev. Frank Rush, and Rev. Al Finch assisted in the ordination service.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the resolutions adopted by the deacons of Ludlow Church, expressing appreciation of Rev. Nat Mayhall, who recently resigned after four and one-half years in order to accept another pastorate. The resolutions called attention to his capable leadership in erecting the new church plant at a minimum cost and to his unusual ability. The resolutions were signed by Leo A. Lee, Joe H. Denson, Earl H. Lee, Curtis Davis, Leo Johnson, Jr., C. H. Nutt, and L. L. Renfro.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of resolutions recently adopted by the New Orleans Baptist Association concerning Dr. Joe H. Taten, who recently resigned the pastorate of Calvary Church to accept First Church, Biloxi. The resolutions called attention to his eight-year pastorate, his fine service as vice-moderator and moderator of the Association and his loyalty to denominational affairs.

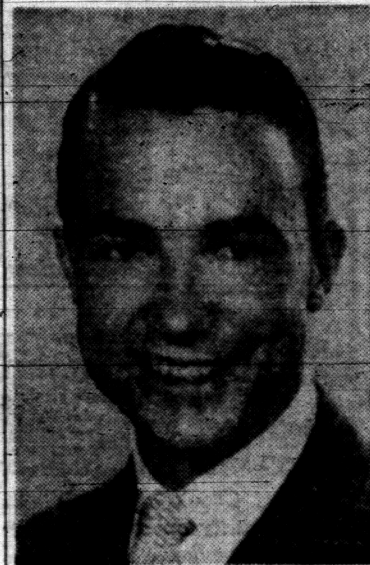
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It is not easy to be a Christian in Spain. When a person stands to his feet and says, "I accept Jesus Christ as my Saviour," you can be sure that he has counted the cost. If he is employed, he will likely lose his job; if he is a businessman, it is probable that his establishment will be boycotted. In many cases it means he will be alienated from his own family. However, this year we have seen scores of people stand calmly with a heavenly radiance on their faces as they said, "Today I take my stand with Jesus, so help me God." —Charles W. Whitten, missionary to Spain

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THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

## Hunt Ordained



Rev. Bob Hunt

The ordination service for Rev. Bob Hunt, recently called as pastor at Janice Church, Perry County, took place at First Church, Albertville, Ala., Wednesday night, December 28th, with Richard Crowe, pastor, in charge of program.

Rev. J. O. Colley, pastor of First Church, Prichard, Alabama, and former pastor at Albertville, preached the sermon. Rev. Lincoln Newman, Area Missionary, Lucedale, gave the charge to the candidate, and Rev. W. D. Edwards, pastor of First Church, Guntersville, Ala., gave the charge to the church.

Bob grew up in the First Church, of Albertville. He is a graduate of Howard College, Birmingham, Alabama, and is a student in New Orleans Seminary.

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BOLING SPRINGS, N. C. — (BP) — A trustee of Gardner-Webb (Junior) College here will give the Baptist school \$10,000 to aid its expansion program. Carson Stout, executive of a High Point, N. C., furniture manufacturing firm, announced the donation through H. Hansel Stembridge, of Forest City, N. C., director of Gardner-Webb's enlargement campaign. Stout, who will retire from the college next year, has made a number of substantial contributions to Gardner-Webb in recent years.

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DALLAS, Tex. — (BP) — An artist and an assistant editor have joined the staff of the Baptist Standard, Texas Baptist weekly newspaper. Joe Novak, education director for a church at Perryton, Tex., became assistant editor, and Miss Marilyn Ligon, a University of Texas graduate from Lampasas, Tex., is the new artist.

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Out of a total enrolment of nearly 4,000 in the Kansas City area, 763 children who attended no church or Sunday school were enrolled last year in the week day Bible schools held on released time from the public

## A Modern Parable

By Dr. Harold G. Basden

Now it came to pass on a day at noon that I was a guest of a certain rich man. And the lunch was enjoyed at a popular restaurant. And the waiters were very efficient. And the food was good.

Now when the end of the meal was at hand, the waiter brought unto the host the check.

As we arose to depart, I observed that he laid some coins under the edge of his plate. I know not what denominations the coins were; howbeit, the waiter who stood nearby smiled happily, which being interpreted, means the tip was satisfactory.

Now this parable entereth not into the merits or demerits of tipping. But as I meditate on the coins that become tips throughout the nation, I begin to think of tips and tithes. For the proverbial tip should be at least a tithe, lest the waiter turn against you.

And as I continue to think on these things, it came unto me that few people who go to church treat their God as well as their waiter. For they give unto the waiter a tithe, but unto God they give whatever they think will get them by.

Verily, doth man fear the waiter more than he feareth God? And doth he love God less than he love the waiter? Or doth the waiter do more for him than his God?

(Editor's Note: Dr. Basden was formerly pastor of Calvary Church, Jackson.)

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## Pastor Preaches

(Continued from Page 13)

3. He should work close enough to his public officials to know personally something of their character.

4. He must analyze these rumors from the standpoint of all the facts on both sides to determine whether or not they could be true.

The Bible says that if one hears an ugly report, he is to "SEARCH DILIGENTLY TO SEE WHETHER IT IS TRUE OR NOT" (Deut. 13:14).

Many rumors and false statements are started by some vicious or irresponsible character and then are picked up by decent, respected, and influential citizen and scattered to the four winds. Being repeated by decent and influential people, these rumors carry weight and many times do great damage. It is as much a sin in the sight of God to repeat such things without knowing whether they are true as to tell them as an outright lie. BEWARE, DON'T FALL FOR THEIR LIES. IF SOME ONE TELLS YOU THAT A PUBLIC OFFICIAL HAS SOLD OUT, INVESTIGATE, FIND

schools. During the last school year, seventy-eight of these "unchurched" youngsters became members of a Sunday school.

## My Favorite Bible Verse

I. By Mrs. D. W. Harden, Cleveland

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer." (Psalm 19:14)

II. By Mrs. M. E. Halliday, Crystal Springs

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." (Psalm 23:1)

III. By Mrs. Mollie McBride, West

"For I am persuaded that neither death nor life nor angels, nor principalities nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord." (Romans 8:38, 39)

IV. By Mrs. Kato U. Ruter, Shubuta

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding." (Proverbs 3:5)

OUT THE TRUTH. IF SUCH BE TRUE, WE HAVE LAWS TO HANDLE THEM TOO. BUT REMEMBER, ALL MEN DO NOT HAVE A PRICE. THERE ARE SOME MEN WHO CANNOT BE BOUGHT. CONSIDER EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM AN HONORABLE AND TRUSTWORTHY FRIEND UNTIL HE PROVES OTHERWISE. IF YOU HEAR SOMETHING TO THE CONTRARY, GO TO YOUR OFFICIAL AND TALK WITH HIM ABOUT IT. THE TRUTH WILL BE REVEALED, IF YOU ARE HONEST ENOUGH AND HAVE ENOUGH INTEREST TO FIND AND FACE THE TRUTH.

Sixth, it is the responsibility of the Christian to pray for those charged with the affairs of government and the enforcement of the laws. "I EXHORT, THEREFORE, THAT, FIRST OF ALL, SUPPLICATIONS, PRAYERS, INTERCESSIONS, AND GIVING OF THANKS, BE MADE FOR ALL MEN; FOR KINGS, AND FOR ALL THAT ARE IN AUTHORITY: THAT WE MAY LEAD A QUIET AND PEACEABLE LIFE IN ALL GODLINESS AND HONESTY." (I Tim. 2:1-2).

There is an old Indian proverb which goes like this: "NEVER JUDGE A MAN UNTIL YOU HAVE WALKED IN HIS MOCCASINS." Also, someone has said, "ALL THAT IS NECESSARY FOR EVIL MEN TO TRIUMPH, IS FOR GOOD MEN TO DO NOTHING."

In the matter of law enforcement, what will be your position for the next four years?

Will you help or hinder?

Will you be an asset or a liability?

We are in position to have what we have said so long that we wanted, good law enforcement.

Where do you stand?



## Meredith College Offered Land If Removed To Winston-Salem, N. C.

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. — (BP) — Charles H. Babcock, owner of Reynold Estate here, has offered the 165-acre estate to Meredith College if the Baptist school will move from Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

The offer came at a time when another North Carolina Baptist college, Wake Forest, is planning to move from the community of Wake Forest to a site just outside the city of Winston-Salem. Reynolds Estate adjoins the new Wake Forest campus.

Under Babcock's offer, Meredith would receive \$1 million also if it will sell its campus in Raleigh to the Presbyterians for \$2 million or less. The Presbyterians are planning to launch a college in North Carolina by consolidating several of their existing schools.

Meredith College, a girls' school, enrolls about 600 students each year, and nine-tenths of them come from places inside North Carolina.

Chairman Lloyd Griffin of the Meredith governing board reported a committee is studying Babcock's offer and may be ready to report within 30 days.

One of the matters being considered by the committee is that of having two Baptist schools in the same city.

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## "Can You Live On Your Salary?"

By Dr. R. J. Hastings

When a firm advertises the merits of its own product—that's taken for granted. But when a company admits the limitations of its product—that's news!

"Not by bread alone" is the caption beneath a recent billboard picture of a five-year-old

girl clasping her hands in prayer. The advertiser: Sunbeam Bakeries. Here is a bakery-wise enough to know and honest enough to admit that man can not live on bread alone.

And God never intended that man, made in His image, could live on bread. He can exist on bread, and a dog can live on it.

But man can never live his best by dependence on bread alone.

"I can't live on what you're paying me" an employee protests. And truer words were never spoken. No employer is able to pay his employees enough to "live on," even if their pay checks should achieve astronomical proportions.

He can pay them for the necessities and some of the luxuries of life, but never enough to live on. One can "get by" on bread, but not until he draws on the finer things of life—love, faith, hope—can he really begin to live!

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THE BAPTIST RECORD  
KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

## Virginia Paper Questions Court's Church Decision

RICHMOND, Va. — (BP) — A Baptist newspaper published here thinks a court decision in the state recently "appears" to have made (at least two) serious intrusions upon the exclusive rights of the local (Baptist) church.

The Religious Herald, edited by Reuben Alley, referred in an editorial to the church matter tried in Circuit Court in Covington, Va. The court granted an injunction forbidding B. R. Freasier from continuing to serve as pastor of the Baptist Church of Covington.

According to the Associated Press, the judge declared, "It is my opinion that Mr. Freasier must go. He can not stay here and lead you spiritually."

The Religious Herald termed this statement by Judge Earl Abbott "startling" and a "dangerous interference."

Alley said it was important "to inquire about the competence of a civil court to pass judgment upon the pastor of a church with respect to his ability to lead 'spiritually.'"

The editor reports that, according to news accounts, the court also "undertook to supervise a ballot among the members of the church upon questions pertaining to (church) policies."

This was done in good faith, the editor believes, but "that does not alter the fact that interference in the internal relations of a religious body is beyond the authority of a civil court."

Two hundred persons who said they belonged to the Covington church asked removal of the pastor, saying he misrepresented his background when he came to the church from a former pastorate in Richmond.

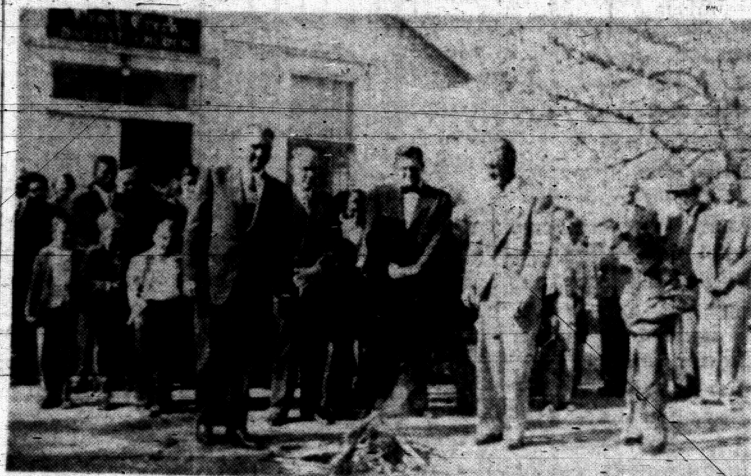
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home of a couple who come to my English class sometimes. The husband brought up the subject of Christianity, and my heart hurt when I heard him say he'd never really known a Christian. He spent 1953 in the United States as representative of his steel company. He attended a Baptist church, but often went to sleep because he didn't understand religious words. But he would have understood a convincing Christian life if any one had cared for his soul. — Martha Knox, missionary to Japan

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Homer Rodeheaver, of Wino Lake, Indiana, and song leader for Billy Sunday for twenty years, died recently.

## Peach Creek (Panola) Burns Final Note



Peach Creek Church in Panola County made many physical improvements in 1955, but finished the year debt-free. During the year the pastorium was finished inside and painted, at the cost of \$900. The final note of \$500 was paid in full on the church.

Shown above is the congregation in front of Peach Creek Church at a recent service held to burn the final note of indebtedness on the church. Rev. Paul Kolb, Superintendent of Missions of Panola County, was the special speaker. In the foreground, from left to right are: C. O. Russell, Chairman of the Board of Deacons,

Rev. Paul Kolb; Rev. Joe Mongle, pastor; and Walter Towles, church treasurer. Russell and Towles have just dropped the final note of indebtedness into the fire and are watching it burn.

Peach Creek Church during 1955 had its largest operating budget and gave more to the Cooperative Program than it ever had before. In 1956 the church will pay a percentage of its total collections to the Cooperative Program, but guarantees the total amount given to the Cooperative Program to be more than it was last year.

## \$310,000 HELPS FURMAN CONSTRUCT NEW CAMPUS

GREENVILLE, S. C. — (BP) — Two gifts have been presented to Furman University here for construction on its new campus site north of Greenville. The gifts total \$310,000.

The Amelie McAlister Upshur estate provided \$300,000 to build an auditorium. President John L. Plyler announced. The grant is contingent on Furman raising the additional amount necessary to complete the audi-

torium and naming it McAlister Auditorium.

Burlington Industries Foundation donated the other \$10,000 to use in building on the new site of the Baptist college. Furman has limited use of the new campus site at present but continues to operate its two campus areas in Greenville also.

(Editor's Note: Let some Mississippi Baptist take note and do likewise.)

## FIRST, PICAYUNE, GIVES \$4243.76 TO LOTTIE MOON

First Church, Picayune, Rev. John R. Maddox, pastor, went over its Lottie Moon Christmas offering goal of \$1200 by \$1000.

The Lottie Moon Christmas tree, with the world designed at the bottom, was placed in the auditorium during the month of December. Four red lights, representing the \$1200 from the church budget, were turned on during the first service. The tree was also filled with blue lights, and as each one hundred dollars was given another light was turned on.

On December 18 the goal was reached and the star at the top of the tree was turned on. Extra lights had to be added, and on Christmas day the offering reached \$4243.76.

Mrs. Claude Anderson is the W.M.U. president.

The new church budget of

\$67,612.33 was over-subscribed by \$2000.00, with 43.4 per cent of the budget to go to mission causes. One new feature of the budget this year is the supporting of one missionary by paying his salary.

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The 10 churches and 22 missions in the Emmanuel Baptist Association, Mexico, which includes three states, were recently engaged in a five week's evangelistic campaign which resulted in 607 professions of faith. The effort was under the direction of Missionary Orvil W. Reid, of Guadalajara. The 607 professions of faith represent one for every church member on the rolls of the 10 churches. "Never before in the history of the association have there been as many professions of faith in any year as there have been this year," reports Mrs. Reid.

## 2500 Baptist Writers Needed In Five Years

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Southern Baptists need to realize their young people can serve God in newspaper work and related fields and should encourage them to prepare for this kind of work, one of the denomination's publications officials declared here.

Albert McClellan, of Nashville, director of publications for the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, said that at least 2500 Baptist young people should train for secular editorial work during the next five years.

He also said the denomination needs to establish a Public Relations Advisory Committee composed of Baptist editors, ministers, and interested laymen.

"We should say to these young people, 'Consider the field of communications your vocation. Train yourself to serve as a Christian in a newspaper office, radio or television station, advertising agency, or public relations position,'" McClellan continued.

Speaking to about 100 Baptist leaders in Nashville to plan their future denominational program, McClellan stated that individual Baptist churches as well as the Southern Baptist Convention need to make their message clear to the communities they are serving.

## Eight Colleges Offer

R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Education Commission, Nashville, reported eight Baptist colleges are at the present offering degrees in journalism. He said if more young people demand journalism training, more colleges will offer such degrees.

Leonard Holloway, of Dallas, said "This is a sound approach to get men in the public relations field together and keep the Baptist success story before the public."

## Receptive to Baptists

"News outlets are more receptive now to the Baptist message than at any other period in history," according to Holloway.

McClellan said in encouraging young people to enter secular publications work and in enlarging the Baptist public relations program, it was important to emphasize integrity.

"We must tell what we are doing, but we must tell it right," he said. "And it is also necessary that we teach these young people how to be good reporters and writers — the kind who will be an asset to those for whom they work."

He said there are openings in the denomination itself for trained young people, those who have a college education and also have experience on newspapers and elsewhere in the field of mass communications.